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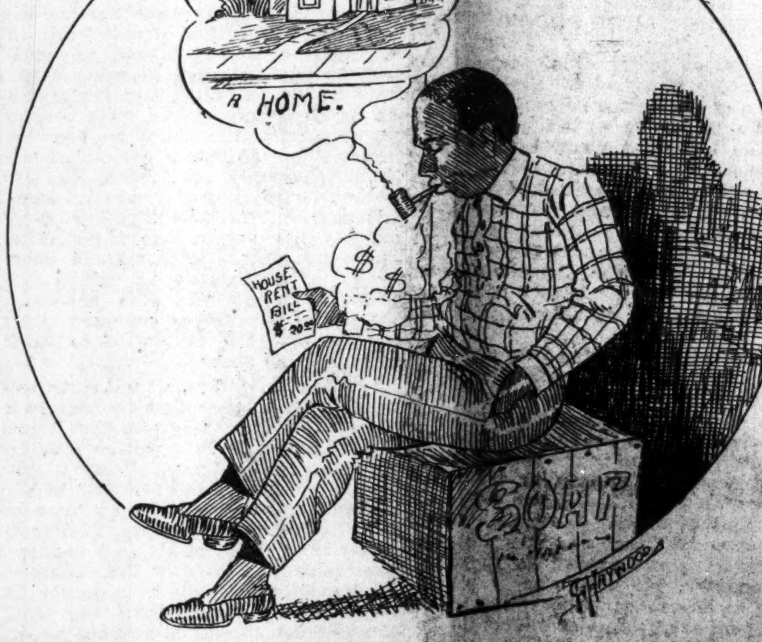

# AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

## DR. JACKSON TALKS OF THE ZION CHURCH

## BISHOP WALTERS IS AN INDEPENDENT

### Assistant Att'y-General Lewis to be Banqueted—Colored Men are Prominent in Taft Meetings in the West—Personals.

Thompson's National News Bureau.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 1.—Dr. J. S. Jackson, financial secretary of the A. M. E. Zion church, assed through the city Monday night, on his way south to spend six weeks, visiting conferences beginning in North Carolina, and he will not stop until he crosses the Mississippi river. He had been attending the sessions of the Ecumenical Conference at Toronto, Canada. and was loud in his praise of the cordiality with which the colored ministers had been greeted during the sitting of this world-wide convention of Methodists. The Zionites, he said, made a particularly fine impression upon the great gathering, and the papers state that Dr. Jackson himself made one of the best speeches of the occasion, participating in a debate on an important question of church policy. Dr. Jackson looked the picture of health and talked encouragingly of the future of the Zion church, in which he is universally recognized as a leader along both spiritual and business lines.

### Dr. Jackson Tells of Zion's Strength.

"The African Methodist Episcopal Zion church was never in better condition than it is today," said Dr. Jackson. "Our membership is steadily increasing. Our bishops, presiding elders and pastors are working as never before, and they are getting results. New churches are being rapidly acquired, and new territory is being entered by men of our faith and order, carrying the divine message. he Zion church Ttoday has the best financial standing in the banks, north an dsouth, than ever before in its history. Ten thousand or more dollars is nothing for us to obtain on our note. Our rating at Dun's and Bradstreet's is 'A No. 1.'"

The Doctor was asked what he thought about his proposed promotion in 1912. It is generally known that his friends are insisting that his election to the bishopric is one of the assured things scheduled for the general conference of the Zion church.

Smiling modestly, Dr. Jackson said:

"My ministerial life in Zion as pastor, presiding elder and financial secretary, as well as my career as a layman, is an open book. If votes mean anything, come to Charlotte next May, and see for yourself. I have just come from the east and northwest, and the situation is very satisfactory. The south will be united as never before."

Being asked about the status of Alabama, he said:

"Alabama, the second strongest state in Zion Methodism, is my native state, and very naturally is solid for me. I am known in every county in the state. from Tennessee to Florida and from Georgia to Mississippi Alab.ama stood by me at St. Louis in 1904, and at Philadelphia in 1908. I can go to sleep on Alabama. I am not at all doubtful as to where Alabama will stand at Charlotte in 1912.

"In short, I am not worrying about the outcome of the general conference next May. I am going to do my work, and leave the resul twith God and the delegates who will compose the next general conference."

### Two Bishops to Be Elected.

"Will any additional bishops be elected?" queried your correspondent.

"Yes," replied Dr. Jackson. "I believe two bishops will be elected. That number is absolutely necessary or the proper direction of the affairs of the Zion church. I do not think anything can be brought about to prevent the election of at least two members to our bench of bishops."

### Bishop Walters in Town.

Bishop Alexander Walters spent a portion of the week here, mingling among old friends and inspecting the work of the local Zion pastors. On Thursday evening at Galbraith church, in the presence of an immense audience, he delivered a touching eulogy upon the life, character and public services of the late Justice John Marshall Harlan, pronouncing him the greatest jurist who ever sat upon the bench of the Supreme Court of the United States—a man who dared to stand for the right side of the human questions of the hour, regardless of the prejudices of the masses. On Friday evening at the Union Wesley church, the bishop, by request, presented "Some Echoes from the Ecumenical Conference," and told of the happy manner in which the Negro delegates carried off the honors of the occasion, and of the many hospitalities cordially extended by the people of Canada.

"These meetings do the Negro race untold good," remarked Bishop Walters. "When our representative men can stand up before the best minds o the world, and hold their own with them in scholarship, marshalling of ideas, eloquence of oratory, and dignity of bearing in the presiding officer's chair, the bigots who deny us our rightful place in the civic order, are discredited and ingloriously routed. The evidences of culture, christian manhood and intellectual grasp exhibited by our delegates will prove to be one of the strongest arguments that we have yet presented to the courts of the world that we deserve an equal chance and fair play in the struggle for existence."

Asked as to his political attitude, Bishop Walters said:

"I am an independent. I believe in political freedom for every American citizen. Men should form and reform their political alliances from time to time, according to the men and the issues. Just now I am of the opinion that the best interests of the Negro call for a change in the national administration. In holding to this view, I have no unkind word to say of any of the men who choose to do otherwise. President Taft has yet a fine opportunity to make himself well thought of among the colored people. I am hopeful that he will speak out in unequivocal terms in his forthcoming message against the crime of lynching. Mob violence is no longer peculiar to the south. It has grown into a national evil, and the weight of the presidential influence should be thrown against it, or law and order will be a thing of the past in all sections of the land."

Bishop Walters was of the opinion that Governor Judson Harmon is the strongest man the Democrats could nominate for President, because he enjoys the confidence of the business forces of the nation. He is known to be liberal on questions involving the race line, according to the bishop's analysis of his record.

### Banquet for Assistant Attorney-General Lewis.

Plans are being laid by a coterie of Washington men for an elaborate banquet and reception in honor of the Assistant Attorney-General, Hon. William H. Lewis. A preliminary committee, headed by Lieut. Thomas H. R. Clarke, L. M. Hershaw, Charles E. Hall, C. J. Pickett and others, has issued a call for a meeting, at which the line of action will be definitely decided upon. It is expected that the event will take place at the True Reformers' hall on a date between the 20th and 30th of this month. The affair, as tentatively planned, will eclipse any similar function ever held "pulled off" at the famous dinners of the here, and the "features" will rival those Gridiron Club a the New Willard. Every detail will be in the hands of capable men and the "Smart Set" will be there in force. Mr. Lewis, by his engaging manners and modest demeanor, has made himself immensely popular with all elements at the capitol, and there is genuine rejoicing that an opportunity is to be presented for the admiration of the citizens to be given concrete form. It is thought that the guests will number not less than two hundred.

### President Taft and the Colored People.

That President Taft has grown in strength with the colored people since he started on his record-breaking tour, is self-evident. At every point where there was any considerable number of Negroes, the race was represented upon the reception committees, and they were made to feel that Mr. Taft was the President of all the people. Word comes from St. Paul, Minn., that on the committee that assisted in entertaining the President at the great Auditorium, were three well-known colored men, Rev. H. P. Jones, Mr. Thomas H. Lyles, and Attorney W. T. Francis. They occupied prominent seats on the platform with the chief executive of the nation. The President's broad-gauged speeches at Los Angeles and Chicago struck a popular chord. They indicated the warmest of appreciation of the value of the Negroes as citizens of the republic, and argued for our highest opportunities, while pointing out frankly our bounden duties to ourselves and to the nation. President Taft is a statresman of the purest quality.

### Lively Times at the National Training School.

These are lively days at Miss Nannie H. Burrough's National Training School at Lincoln Heights, D. C. Visitors find it a pleasant place to study educational methods of the advanced type and to see what a consecrated corps of teachers can do for the uplift of the girls who must do the world's work. Last Friday evening marked the opening of the season of the Literary Society of the National Training School. Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, the talented elocutionist, was present, and contributed several choice selections. Mrs. Ida M Becks, of Kansas, charmed the student body with her splendid interpretation of Dunbar. Mrs. Becks will probably be put on the staff of the Woman's convention, to represent the educational work of the convention, with particular reference to the training school here. Miss Nonie ailey, of New Orleans, gave several solos, which were well received, and special music was rendered by a uintette, made up of students. he artistic reTadings by Miss Ottie Brooks were highly enjoyable. These meetings are held on the fourth Friday in each month, and a cordial invitation is extended to the public.

Plans are now under way for the corner stone laying of the new $7,000 building, which is now under construction. Miss Burroughs is doing a wonderful work for the race at Lincoln Heights.

### Dr. Roman "Scores" at Ecumenical Conference.

Developing the thought

"Tis the set of the soul that determines the goal,
And not the storm and the strife,"

Dr. C. V. Roman, of Nashville, Tenn., captivated the Ecumenical Conference at Toronto a few days ago, and won from its official organ, the Daily Christian Guardian, the following whole-souled compliment:

"The most brilliant address so far delivered was given by a black man, and he a layman. But, then, he was born in Canada, and that may, in part, account for it."

Commenting further upon Dr. Roman's remarkable deliverance, the Christian Guardian said:

"One of the cleverest contributions to the discussion on Methodist Theology was from a Canadian-born colored representative from the south, a medical doctor and professor in one of the schools of the Freedmen's Aid Society. In teaching his iBble class, composed chiefly of medical students, he pressed upon their attention the fact that 'the set of the soul' was the revealer of the character and the controller of destiny and the resolver of the problems, both of theology and life. By the way, the name of this brother is C. V. Roman, M. D., LL. D., of Nashville, Tenn."

It is not news to the great body of the A. M. E. church that the hero of the hour at Toronto is the same Dr. C. V. Roman who has consented to allow himself to be elected editor of the A. M. E. Church Review, if the majority of the delegates to the Kansas City general conference vote for him. A man who can thus arrest the intellectual giants of the world would fill with dignity and honor the editorial chair of such a high-class publication as the Review. Dr. Roman should be chosen by acclamation.

### Dr. J. E. Shepard Coming.

Announcement is made that Dr. James E. Shepard, president and founder of the National Religious Training School at Durham, N. C., will be the speaker at the meeting of the Bethel Literary and Historical Association January 9. His there will be "Religious Training as a Factor in Race Development," a subject of which he is the acknowledged master. A program of music and other features is being prepared, and President Washington and Secretary Scott are leaving no stone unturned to make the "Shepard Meeting" one of the stellar events of the new year. The ministers in particular will be present to learn in detail the plan Dr. Shepard has in mind for the Ministerial Conference called to assemble at Durham next July.

During his visit here, Dr. Shepard will be the guest of honor at a number of social functions already in preparation. He is widely known and quite popular in Washington, having served for a season under the federal government, and being called here frequently on business. Dr. Shepard has arranged to have Mr. John C. Dancy accompany him on a speaking tour in the interest of the National Religious Training School.

### National Organizer to "Get Busy."

In all probability, Prof. Charles H. Moore, the energetic national organizer of the National Negro Business League, will be in attendance upon the forthcoming meeting of the executive committee of that body, which is to assemble in this city next month. The league is anxious to make the Chicago convention a banner occasion, and the services of Prof. Moore will again be called upon to promote the affair in the same vigorous fashion that carried the Little Rock meeting to the first place in the series so far. As it is established that an early beginning be made, the progressive members of the league are in favor of getting Prof. Moore into commission at once. There is no better place to start than in Washington, where a live local league is sorely needed. In fact, it would be a capital idea for the officers of the national organization to send Prof. Moore on ahead to break ground in such a manner that the midwinter session of the committee will be greeted by a local branch that will be a credit to the parent organization.

There is no reason why National Organizer Moore should not "get busy" at once and work on the recalcitrant Washington brother in business.

### The News in a Nutshell.

T. Thomas Fortune, editor of The New York Age, is spending the week in the city.

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Former Governor P. B. S. Pinchback, of the internal revenue service, New York City, visited his family here last week.

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Bishop Walters preached in Norfolk Sunday. He announces that the A. M. E. Zion church has set out to raise $50,000 this year for educational purposes. He is proud to state that the general education board has agreed to give the church $12,500, provided the church itself raise the $37,500 difference.

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Lawyer Thomas L. Jones and Former Recorder John C. Dancy are taking an active part in the exciting of gubernatorial campaign now in progress in Maryland. They are of the opinion that Goldsborough, Republican, will defeat Gorman, Democrat, for governor.

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Dr. Lucy E. Moten, principal of the Colored Normal School of Washington, is to continue in the position she has so gracefully and effectively filled, for the past twenty-five years.

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Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, the well-known dramatic reader, will eat her Christmas dinner at St. George's, Bermuda, where she goes to fill a lengthy return engagement, under the direction of Miss Alberta L. Burgess. Miss Davis and Joseph H. Douglass are the stars of a dramatic and musical recital at the Metropolitan A. M. E. church Friday evening of this week.

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Judge W. H. DeLacey, of the Juvenile Court, will be the speaker at the monthly meeting of the Home and School Association of Normal School No. 2 on Friday evening, November 17.

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Deep interest is being manifested by our citizens in the approaching celebration of the 46th anniversary of the adoption of the Thirteenth Amendment to the Federal Constitution.

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Dr. D. Webster Davis comes to the Cosmopolitan Baptist church for a humorous lecture Thanksgiving night. Col. Henry Lincoln Johnson, recorder of deeds, will preside.

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Col. Judson W. Lyons is here. He will again press the passage of the bill by congress, providing for the payment of the remaining 38 per cent due the creditors of the late Freedmen's bank. President Taft has repeatedly recommended the payment of this final dividend, and the committee of both housee have reported the bill favorably, but rush of other legislation has so far prevented affirmative action. Col. Lyons is confident that the long-delayed measure will become a law at the coming session of congress.

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Following closely upon the retention of the three colored architects in the treasury department, Secretary MacVeagh has placed the race under urther obligations by promoting Mr. Woolsey Hall rom a $1,400 to a $1,600 clerkship, and arranging or the employment of Mr. Joseph E. Johnson, an expert stenographer, to perform a special work in connection with the office of the register of the treasury at the rate of $1,400 per annum. Mr. Johnson was for many years attached to the stenographic staff of **Speaker Cannon** in the house of representatives. Mr. Hall has made a fine **record** in the division of printing and stationery.

## MT. VERNON, OHIO.

Mrs. Fina Simmons, wife of Mr. Gustave Simmons, of East Pleasant street, died, October 30, at 7:15 a. m.., at Mt. Vernon Hospital, of appendicitis, at the age of thirty-four years. She was born in Barnesville, Ohio. She was a member of the Court of Calanthe and a deaconess of the A. M. E. Church. She leaves to mour her death her husband, a father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Alexander, of Newark, Ohio; four sisters—Miss Ora Alexander, Mrs. James Stewart, of Newark; Mrs. Jerrel Hawkins, of Columbus, Ohio, and Mrs. Harry Lucas, of Barnesville, Ohio. The funeral services were held in Wayman Chapel, A. M. E. Church, November 1, at 2 p. m., Rev. John Coleman officiating. Interment in Mound View cemetery....Mrs. Mabel Ferguson, of Wabash, Ind., has gone to Upper Sandusky on her return trip home....Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams went to Paris, Ky., last week to return with their son, who was accidentally shot in the leg....Mrs. Harriet Haggins, of Cincinnati, is the guest of Mrs. Mary Thomas, of East Water street....Mrs. June Johnson and her daughter, Miss Nora Johnson, of Portsmouth, Ohio, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Turner, of West Walnut street....The W. C. T. U. and Mite Missionary Society met, November 2, at the residence of Mrs. Malinda Payne, North Jefferson street....The Calvery Baptist Church services are as follows: Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., James Gibson, superintendent; preaching at 10:30, subject, "Bethel;" evening services at 7:30, subject, "Calvary." All are welcome. Rev. A. A. Hampton, pastor....Sunday services at Wayman Chapel are as follows: Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., Mrs. A. H. Simmons, superintendent; preaching by the pastor at 10:30 a. m. and 7:00 p. m.; evening subject, "The Convenient Season." Everybody invited to attend. Rev. John Coleman, pastor.... Regards to Lester Blackburn, Henry Elliott, Will Love and Simmin, of Little Savoy, of Cincinnati, Ohio....A. Hallowe'en dance was given October 30 by the Elite Club, composed of young ladies. A delightful time was enjoyed by all. Music by Roul's Saxophone Trio....Roul's Saxophone Trio played at Centerburg last week. They are making quite a hit.

# PAST WEEK AT LOUISVILLE

## COURT HOUSE CLOSED TO NEGRO ORATORS

## PRESIDENT TAFT TO VISIT FALLS CITY

### West Kentucky Conference Adjourns After a Successful Meet—Rev. J. C. Anderson Returned to Quinn Chapel—Notes.

By Lee L. Brown.
(1006 West Chestnut Street.)

LOUISVILE, Ky., Special.

The Midway jailer refused to open the court house last week so that three well known colored Republican orators might speak. It is said that quite a number of citizens are indignant over his actions. A hall was engaged and the men were permitted to speak. The campaign is waxing warm.

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Next week Kentucky will bid welcome to the chief executive of the nation, Hon. William H. Taft, who comes to be present at the unveiling of the Lincoln statue at Frankfort, and the dedication of the Lincoln Farm at Hodgenville. During his sojourn in the Falls City he will be the guest of the Press Association and Senator Bradley, will address the people at the Armory, and will be introduced at a banquet by Col. Henry Waterson, editor of the Courier Journal.

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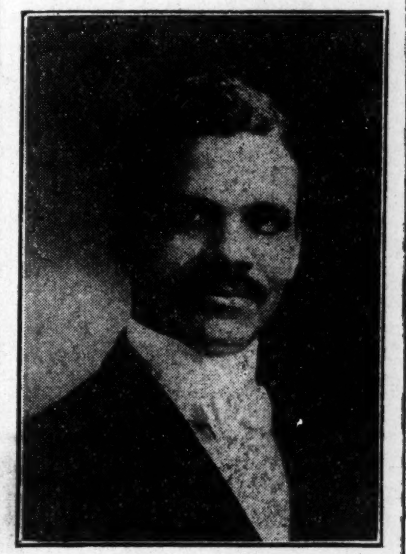
The sessions of the West Kentucky Conference of the A. M. E. church, presided over by Bishop C. T. Shaffer, of Chicago, Ill., is now a matter of history. Louisville and especially the congregation of Queen Chapel church, have been highly honored by having as their guests such a large number of distinguished ministers, laymen and many prominent men from out of the city.

The bishop declared that he had been entertained in a more royal way at this conference than ever before during his long career as bishop. This statement brought forth a hearty applause. On the opening night a most interesting program was rendered. Rev. J. C. Anderson, pastor of the church, introduced Prof. F. L. Delanry, principal of the colored blind school, who served as master of ceremonies. In his usual way, Prof. Delanry introduced the following persons, who delivered short addresses of welcome: Miss M. V. Webster, on behalf of the women of the church; Rev. Alex. Hannum, pastor of Jacob Street tabernacle, who, in a most eloquent way, paid tribute to Rev. Anderson, and extended a welcome to the pulpits on behalf of the Ministerial Alliance. Mr. C. H. Johnson, who boasts of fifty years membership in the church, held the audience almost spellbound by the reciting of the most interesting bit of history in reference to Queen Chapel. Prof. J. E. Simpson, teacher in Central high school, represented the Sunday School. Dr. W. T. Amiger, president of the State university, represented the twenty colored Baptist churches. Mr. C. C. Stoll, a staunch friend of the colored people of Louisville, and who has given his money on more than one occasion to help some new enterprise, was the next speaker, representing the business men. Responses were delivered by Rev. P. A. Nichols, Paducah, Ky; Dr. S. A. O'Neil, Henderson; Dr. Reed, Bowling Green; Dr. E. A. Clark, Lexington. The program was mingled with sweet music rendered by Mrs. Dr. E. S. Porter, Mrs. S. E. Briggs, Mrs. J. C. Anderson and Miss Nellie Bukey.



REV. J. C. ANDERSON,
Pastor Quinn Chapel, Louisville, Ky.

Every man and woman who had the misfortune not to be present on last Thursday evening to listen at the eloquent address by Prof. Jno. R. Hawkins, educational secretary, has cause to feel that he or she missed something in life very much worth while, no matter whether the individual be a Methodist or of some other denomination, he must needs have been carried away and swept along by the tide of eloquence, wisdom and wit which could not be stemmed. Prof. Hawkins said that twenty schools and colleges are being supported by the money raised. The church this year has raised $386,000 for education, has employed 210 teachers, 5,718 pupils are enrolled, school property is valued at $1,500,000. Addresses were also delivered by J. H. Abel, yho said in part: "Daily there is better understanding between the good white people and ourselves; we are acquiring property and are doing many other works for the advancement of our people." Prof. Chas. Brown, principal of Wayman Institute, Harrodsburg, Ky., delivered an address upon the subject "Negro and Education." Mr. Jno. Hurst, of Washington, D. C., financial secretary, and who is prominently mentioned as a candidate or the bishopric, said that there was a balance of $50,000 left in the treasury of last year, and that at the end of the present year he expected that it would reach $75,000. During the afternoon session, Rev. J. C. Anderson was elected the leader of the delegation to the next general conference to be held in Kansas City; J. W. Hall, presiding elder Louisville district, and Rev. G. H. Burks presiding elder of Paducah district were also chosen. P. A. Nichols, H. P. Patton and J. C. Dean as alternates. Mrs. Dora Anderson was elected as president and Miss Anna B. Ward as vice president of the Parent Mite Missionary Society of the West Kentucky Conference.

Bishop Shaffer in a very strong address edclared that the ministers were turning their attention largely to minor issues of life and not achieving the most from a spiritual standpoint. He disapproves of ministers going into other vocations while still engaged in the ministry. His remarks were highly appreciated by the audience.

It was interesting indeed to watch the large audience which gathered last Sunday evening at the final services of the conference. After the sermon Bishop Shaffer in a most impressive way spoke of what a delicate position he had been placed in the assigning of appointments. He said that many things were to be considered. He announced at last that he was ready to read the appointments. This was an anxious moment, especially to the members of Quinn Chapel, whose eyes were fastened upon every move of the bishop, praying that their beloved pastor would be returned. As the bishop presented the ministers with their assignments not a sound was heard in the audience, the suspence was almost unbearable. When it was announced that a new pastor would go to Asbury chapel, several members with an anxious look seemed to breathe with a deep sigh, less by chance Rev. Anderson would be sent to take another charge. At last the bishop reached the Louisville district. When it was announced that Rev. Andersen would be returned the entire audience applauded for several minutes, amidst the sweet strains of "God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again." Rev. J. C. Anderson merits all the honor that has been given to him. He has been faithul to duty and evero n the alert to do something for the interest of his members. Now that an extra burden has been placed upon his shoulders, he will work harder than ever and his members will be loyal. He has a host of friends who would have been bowed down in grief if he had not been retained. Next year the conference will meet in Paducah. We feel safe in saying that the sessions here served as an inspiration to all who were fortunate enough to be present. The choir, with Miss Emma Lee Claybrooks as organist, rendered excellent music, while the different committees on entertainment worked like trojans, and the organization was perfect. We are sorry space will not permit us to say more concerning some of the very excellent addresses that were delivered.

Quite a number of very prominent men were present. Among some that we noted were: Prof. R. R. Wright, Philadelphia, Pa., a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and the second colored man to receive the degree of Ph. D. from that college. He has also studied in Germany and is editor of the South Western Recorder. Rev. T. H. Smythe, Bethel church, Indianapolis; Miss E. Marie Carter, agent of the A. M. E. Review; Dr. R. E. Wilson, pastor St. Stephen church, Chicago, Ill.; Dr. Carl Shaffer, M. D., Chicago, Ill, private secretary to the bishop; Rev. J. A. Hill, Ashland district; Rev. T. H. Crossland, Indianapolis conference, and many others.

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Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Christman are residing in Detroit, Mich.

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The Normal alumni will meet Saturday, November 30.

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Mrs. Lucy A. Brown, of 1006 West Chestnut street, after a very pleasant stay of a week in Cincinnati, O., has returned to the city.

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It is rumored that Attorney W. L. Ricks, who recently left this city to accept a position in Ohio as principal of a school, is married.

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A large number of persons were present at the Merciful Saviour church dance, which was held at the Thirteenth and Walnut street hall.

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On November 18th the Central high school football team will play the colored football team from the University of Indiana, located at Bloomington, Ind.

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The School of Stenography has registered a number of young persons who are desirous of grasping the opportunity of completing a thorough course in stenography.

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Mrs. Lizzie Davis, of 1423 West Chestnut street, desires to thank her friends for the many kind expressions of sympathy in her hour of bereavement upon the death of her daughter, Thomasini Davis.

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The citizens were shocked last week to learn of the death of Mr. L. Gipson, the well-known colored florist. The funeral service was held at Quinn chapel church last Thursday afternoon, Rev. J. C. Anderson officiating.

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The Juvenile Court Conference of the Middle West States will be held in this city November 14-16. Quite a number of distinguished persons from all over the country will be present. A number of local colored persons connected with this kind of work will be on the program.

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An examination for eligibles as assistant librarian was held at the colored branch library last week. There

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### By T. Carl Rickman.

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Pressing forward, on to victory,
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God forgive our colored soldiers,
Those so kind, so true and brave,
Who are resting 'neath the willows
In their quiet, lonesome graves.
For they feared not death's dark valley,
Amid the cannon's road they fell;
On to victory was their motto,
Even to the gates of hell.

Now they slumber 'neath the willows
In the lonesome fields of death,
Where the skies are always cloudy
Through their long and endless rest.
For on earth they laughed at danger;
Where the bullets the thickest flew
Fought the Gallant Colored Soldiers,
'Neath the old Red, White and Blue.

But when battle clouds were over,
AAfter a brilliant day was won,
Many souls were left to parish
'Neath the rays of the setting sun.
Then the rain drops fell from heaven,
Sang a soft, sad melody
Of our Gallant Colored Soldiers,
Who fought to set us free.

## ITEMS OF RACE INTEREST.

Harry A. Ulrich of New York, who assaulted Dr. Booker T. Washington, asked for a delay of the trial. Mr. Washington was present.

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C. Wesley Peters, a young colored aviator of Pittsburgh, Pa., will fly in his airship during the Georgia Colored State Fair, Macon, Ga., November 8 to 18.

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Negro farmers own nearly all the county in which Marshall, Texas, is the county seat. Moreover this county has the reputation of being one of the most fertile in the state.

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Bishop C. S. Smith of the A. M. E. has been honored by the Victoria University of Toronto, Canada, with the degree of D. D. for honoris causio. He is the first first colored man thus honored in the 75 years of the university's existence.

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Street cars in Muskogee, Okla., run alternately for the colored and white people. They run 15 minutes apart, making the schedule 30 minutes. The white people are kicking. The colored brother seems to have more leisure or he is prompter in meeting his car.

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President Taft at Los Angeles said that Booker T. Washington was "one of the greatest men of this and the last century, white or black." "I think so," he added, "because he has the courage to tell you the truth and to tell you one way by which you can earn your place in the community and render it better and higher."

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Madame Hackley is a graduate of the University of Denver college of music. She has the degree of B. A., has studied and taught in London and Paris, and has given concerts abroad as well as in this country, where she has been associated with the foremost efforts for advancement of colored people.—The Citizen, Spokane, Wash.

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Miss Bessie Bruington, an attractive looking colored woman of 21 years, is the first person of color assigned to teach in the colored schools of Los Angeles, Cal. She graduated from the Polytechnic High school three years ago, was recommended for Leland Stanford University but she choose teaching as her career. Attended the Normal school where she graduated with high honors.

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In Liberia the profession of the ministry, so far from being a bar to public service, seems to be a direct preparation for it. At a recent church service, a portion of the Scripture was read by the sheriff of the county, prayer was offered by the postmaster general, the sermon was preached by an associate justice of the supreme court, and the benediction was pronounced by a member of the senate. The country is in fact overrun by clergymen, of whom but a small portion devote themselves to their profession.

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In a lengthy opinion handed down in Richmond, Va., a few days ago, Claude M. Dean, special master, held that no copyright of the ritual of the Improved, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World exists. This will probably settle for once and all time the long-drawn-out litigation in the case of James E. Mills, trustee and grand exalted ruler of the secret order, which is one of the largest Negro organizations in the country, against J. Frank Wheaton. It will be necessary for the opinion of the master to be confirmed by Judge Waddill in the United States Circuit Court.

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The multi-millionaires in South Pasadena have nearly succeeded in worrying the Colored Orphanage out of their vicinity. The Town Trustees have passed an ordinance for antiseptic tanks and several other innovations that are so costly that they hope the colored folk will be unable to comply with the requirements and move on. The orphanage is already in operation, there being twelve infants there at present. That this ordinance is passed simply to remove the Negroes is more apparent when it is stated that there is a white orphanage in the same locality, that already possesses these costly requirements.

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Kentucky, the state that cradled Abraham Lincoln, is soon to have a statue of the great emancipator unveiled in the rotunda of the capitol at Frankfort. The statue, designed by Adolph Alexander Weinman, has recently been cast in New York. The statue is the gift of John Breckenridge Speed, whose father was a personal friend and ardent supporter of Lincoln and was made attorney general by Lincoln in 1864. The statue is more than nine feet high. It shows Lincoln as he appeared in the later years of his life, a tall, commanding figure, with his face eloquent of the stress of the stormy period through which he had piloted the nation.

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Madam Selika who recently lost her husband was the greatest of Negro singers and a leading singer of the world in her day. She sang with the two Pattis, Adelina and Carlotta, who greatly praised her voice. This was in Paris, France. The madame sang fluently in several languages. Writing recently to the Cleveland Gazette, she had as follows: "Our Dear Good Friend:—I write you this morning with a sad heart—almost too full and sick with sorrow, to do so. My dear husband passed away on the 9th of this month. I hope you will forgive me for not writing to you sooner, but I have not had the heart to do so. Marie Selika Williams."

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Theoretically, the Liberians recognize the value of education and the duty of the state to provide it. Practically, the state can offer so little and that little of so poor a quality that the people take only a half-hearted interest in it. The annual appropriation bills carry $25,000 for public elementary schools, and a subsidy of $12,500 for Liberia college. Of this $25,000 for public schools very little is actually available, and very little is spent. As a consequence, the few schools maintained are woefully deficient. Teachers are wholly untrained. Of knowledge they have very little; of anything but the most haphazard and casual methods of imparting it, nothing at all. Liberia college, like the denominational colleges of Liberia, is primarily an elementary school, with a so-called college attachment. In its upper reaches it covers the ground of "a high school in a very imperfect and superficial manner.

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Among the delegates that attended the Methodist Ecumenical Conference were: Bishop C. T. Chaffer, Chicago; Bishop B. F. Lee, Wilberforce, O.; Bishop W. L. Gaines, Atlanta; Bishop B. F. Lee, Flushing, N. Y.; Bishop C. S. Smith, Detroit; Bishop L. J. Coppin, Philadelphia; Bishop H. B. Parks, Chicago; the Rev. A. H. Attaway, Jacksonville, Fla.; the Rev. R. L. Beale, Hannibal, Mo.; the Rev. W. D. Chappelle, Columbia, S. C.; the Rev. J. M. Conner, Little Rock; the Rev. P. C. Hunt, Palestine, Tex.; the Rev. John M. Hurst, Washington, D. C.; the Rev. W. D. Johnson, Columbia, Ga.; the Rev. J. H. Jones, Wilberforce, O.; the Rev. R. L. Pope, Montgomery, Ala.; the Rev. G. H. Shaffer, Indianapolis; the Rev. R. R. Wright, Jr., Philadelphia; Charles Banks, Mound Bayou, Miss.; Counsellor James L. Curtis, New York City; Prof. D. J. Jordan, Kittell, N. C.; Dr. C. V. Roman, Nashville, all of the A. M. E. Church. Bishop J. W. Hood, Fayetteville, N. C.; Bishop C. R. Harris, Salisbury, N. C.; Bishop A. Walters, New York City; Bishop G. W. Clinton, Charlotte, N. C.; Bishop J. W. Allstrock, Montgomery, Ala.; Bishop J. S. Caldwell, Philadelphia; Bishop G. L. Blackwell, Philadelphia; Bishop A. J. Warner, Charlotte, N. C.; the Rev. R. R. Ball, New Haven; the Rev. W. A. Blackwell, Montgomery, Ala.; the Rev. G. C. Clement, Charlotte, N. C.; the Rev. W. H. Coffey, Philadelphia; the Rev. S. L. Corrothers, Washington, D. C.; the Rev. W. H. Goller, Salisbury, N. C., all of the A. M. E. Zion Church.

## FINANCIAL CONDITION OF U. B. OF F. OF TEXAS.

United Brothers of Friendship and Sisters of the Mysterious Ten of Texas. Annual report for year ending August 31, 1911. The following are the receipts:

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| Balance from last year | | $20,771.69 |
| For widows and orphans | $52,347.75 | |
| For per capita taxes | 6,887.93 | |
| For home and business fund | 3,400.10 | |
| For rent of office building | 2,600.00 | |
| For reserve | 957.00 | |
| For the sale of supplies | 689.28 | |
| For interest on deposits | 489.55 | |
| For the change of policies | 87.50 | |
| Total receipts for the year | | 67,459.11 |
| Total amount available for the year | | $86,230.70 |
| Total assets above all liabilities | | $53,000.00 |

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## PRESIDENT TAFT'S RECIPROCITY.

Canada evidently didn't care anything about reciprocity. Perhaps the citizens of the British possession didn't see the point. It wasn't quite clear to them how they could better their own condition by entering closer trade relations with the United States They took no chance; voting "no." This summary may appear presumptious, yet it is just about the way the thing happened. The Canadians were not made to see the beauty of closer trade relations as President Taft saw it.

Really, as between the vote of "yes" and "no" the "noes" were the safer for the Canadians, from their viewpoint. It would have taken a very long campaign to have properly instructed the voters concerning the benefits that would accrue to Canada by trade alliance with the United States different from that of today. We take it that the voters of Canada as a whole are not quite so enlightened as those in this country, yet we go to great expense to inform our voters most thoroughly on every issue of moment. We spend months in campaigns of education when the nation becomes one great school, with one great lesson, with its thousands of teachers.

We dare say that the voters of Canada had no such schooling, notwithstanding the fact that the question was one of the greatest that ever confronted that country. The country, too, is essentially agricultural, meaning suspicion of innovations, and also less intelligence for the comprehension of great master policies. Even we in this country were none too sanguine of the effects, and simply because the thing had not been sufficiently spread out. We took the President at his word; that is, some of us; others he made like it. The Canadians, however, were from Missouri—they had to see. And it was greatly to their interest to see. Under the circumstances the vote "no" was more intelligent than the vot oef "yes" would have been.

The President laments in a subsequent speech that he was not very much of a politician. It is very plain; and owing to that lack he is universally regarded—loved for his whole qualities—his fine personality. Mr. Taft staked too much on one throw of the dice. eH had no secondary policies. The administration is to live in history accentuated by the one Taft acchievement—Canadian reciprocity. The Supreme Court decisions are clearly the instigation of Roosevelt. Mr. Taft felt that he had to do something in fee simple. He insists that he is yet right, and that the thing must come. He seems to be right; at least no harm promises from a movement predicated on mutuality of benefits and a communism of feeling. But as said before, the Canadians could not see so far ahead, nor could any other average people.

Mr. Roosevelt, in his fight on the great combines, knew where the people were on that question. It was a phase of the old case of the poorer many versus the wealthier few. He was hailed as a true reformer. He simply took advantage of the tide that led on to victory. He may be put down as a good politician in that he ascertained the people's desires and acted accordingly. President Roosevelt, in his reciprocity movement was more of an inventor than a reformer. The people looked askance on the new and untried. The forerunners generally meets with reverses until repeated efforts have established the truth of the contention. Doubtless President Taft expected to play no such rol, but unfortunately he has been caught on the wrong side as a politician. His splendid service to the two countries is not challenged; it simply lays on the table.

## ARE THERE SUPERIOR RACES?

At the Universal Races Congress recently held in London, England, many questions of interest touching on racial differences were addressed to the members with the view of getting the best thought and expressions as to how the difference might be reconciled wholly or in part. One of these was as follows: "How would you combat the irreconcilable contentions prevalent among all the more important races of mankind that their customs, their civilization and their race are superior to those of other races?" These questions, we think, were not limited to the body of men called together on that great occasion, but addressed to the world of best thought, especially that portion which suffers the contumely of the race of superior claims. These thinkers, doubtless, will not only try to find the causes tending to such and such effects, but will, according to the spirit of the question, seek to break down racial barriers that they think to be arificially erected, and also endeavor to mollify in the best way they can what nature has done.

The question proposed leaves it clear that the propounders hold that the nation of superiority is merely a notion—a fiction supported by the energy of those concerned. They would have it appear that the civilization of one race is as important, and perhaps as enviable as that of another when seen from the respective viewpoints. As we see it, such concession to the races is charitable and in the interest of the promotion of racial importance of the denied races, but is it a true finding of the situaation? Of course, if there is no type of civilization that is universally recognized as a standard, there will be no means of comparison. Contrasts and comparisons are based on given conditions. It will be difficult for measurement if there is no unit, or if each race sees in itself perfection or the greatest advancement. The question then would be: Which is the type race?

The Congress, perhaps, would have done a wise thing had it set up a standard of civilization. It had the best authority to say, owing to the unversality of the call, what transpirings, what doings, achievements, actions, made for what we call the best civilization. Those races failing to subscribe would necessarily be compelled to acknowledge that they were not on the "preferred" list.

The contentions are not simply irreconcilable because the differences are not understood; they are so because the proscribed peoples fail in the balances, and of course, as measured by the accomplishments of the standard people, accepting the standard as commonly agreed. We see no opportunity, and as far as we are concerned, have no desire to combat the truth. Humanly considered, one individual is as good as another. Even this broad proposition is contested by some of those whom it most concerns. These not only acknowledge a superiority of civilization by undue deference, humility and also imitation, but abase themselves humanly, thus making fast the notion of superior peoples in all respects.

We may as well admit without waiting for concerted action on part of a Universal Races Congress, that there is such a thing as superior civilization—the civilization of Paris, it will readily be agreed is over that of the Hottentots, and also the customs of Paris will appeal to the Hottentot rather than those of his own country. The wide divergence of the examples cited argues in favor of a lesser divergence and so on until the truth of universal standards of man at his best is unconsciously set up in the minds of all men. That races are physically or humanly superior is a far more difficult task to prove. And yet many concede certain types as standards, manifesting it as mentioned, by a phase of adoration. It does appear that each race should see physical perfection in that race. Native Africans formerly saw the white explorers as ghastly, colorless looking, hideous objects, fitted to affright. Their own rich mahogany or jet was the sign of nature's lords; it meant strength, and beauty as they viewed it. But we dare say that that salutary egotism is now no more, and the white man's white and pink are also their gods. With this continual surrendering—this merging of standards towards the one type makes this question almost valueless. Had the propounders asked, Why is the tendency to accept certain nations as the type peoples? it would have been in better accord with the situation. If a deterrent was expected, it might have been asked that methods for combatting conditions or changing conditions be given, and not contentions, making a fact problematical. There are superior civilizations and customs, but for the good of humanity, we hope not humanly superior.

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Moss Bros.' Carnival played here to good business the past week. C. E. Bairfield's Southern Minstrels made good, Mrs. Calloway, William Dewey, A. H. Chissum, Easton and Easton, W. Hudson and Goo Goo are with this company, under the management of E. N. Calloway. They send regards to all of their friends in and out of the profession....Miss B. Young returned from Knoxville Monday....Rev. Williams has returned from conference for another year....Mr. and Mrs. H. Rankins were the guests of friends in Knox Sunday. ....Mrs. E. Houston returned from Knoxville Tuesday....Mrs. D. Johnson attended the performance of Buffalo Bill's shows at Knoxville Monday....C. Jones is back again in the city after a very extensive tour....Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, of Springfield, Ohio, have moved here....The railroad company has finished laying its track to Oliver Springs....Howard Young was in the city Monday, looking over some property that he has purchased....The Cumberland Whist Club, Jones Howard Smith, Liggett, Coleman and Smith, with Walter Johnson, of Nashville as referee, have started a series of games to decide the east Tennessee championship....The Freeman on sale at R. Mosely's Cafe, by W. Lyle.

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Mr. George C. Richardson, after spending several weeks in Opelika and other points in north Alabama, returned to the city. He reports that business has begun to improve and that prospects are for a good winter trade. This gentleman is one of the members of Richardson & Blackledge....Dr. John F. Moreland, of Birmingham, Ala., preached two very able sermons at the State Street A. M. E. Church last Sunday morning and evening. While he was here Dr. J. W. Wood was in the Magic City and Bessimer preaching to large congregations....Dr. Robinson is soon to lecture under the auspices of A. F. Owens Lecture Bureau, Subject, "Fits, Misfits and Outfits."....Dr. Wm. Fletcher Brown spent last Sunday at Dophne, Baldwin county, being orator of the day at the laying of the cornerstone of the Baptist school building. ....Mr. Joseph Belasco returned from Washington, D. C., last week....Mr. J. E. Tyson returned from the capital on last Monday....You get the news when you buy The Freeman. Found at the Gulf City drug store. C. M. Wilkerson, agent.

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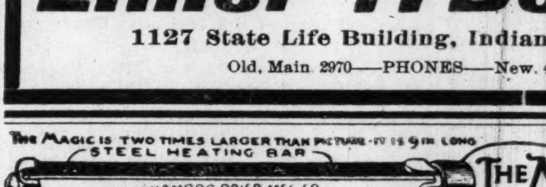
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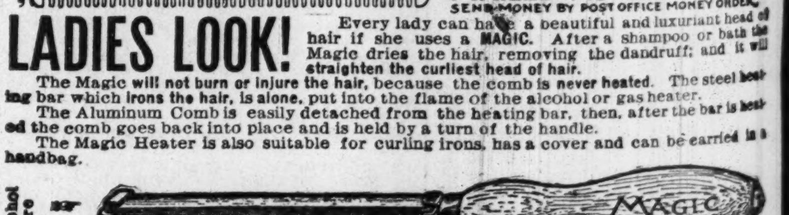

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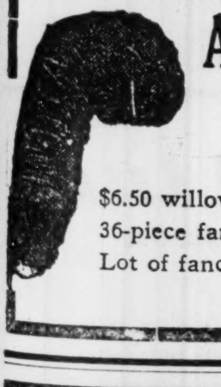

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N. D. Brascher has retired from the management of the Cleveland Journal.

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Prof. J. H. Jackson has taken charge of the Mound Bayou Demonstrator, and it is becoming one of the best-edited papers in the South. It has a circulation of 3,000.

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A booklet of colored people of Savannah, Ga., consisting of 88 pages, has been compiled by Whittaker H. Wright, of the Christian Recorder. It is replete with useful information.

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The midwinter meeting of the executive committee of the National Negro Press Association will probably be held at Washington, D. C., in December.

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The Advocate The Advocate, of Cambridge, Mass., is one of our brightest sheets. It is neat typographically and is printed on heavy book paper, which causes its cuts to show up to advantage.

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Ralph W. White and M. T. Whittico are putting new life into the McDowell Times at Keystone, W. Va. It is full of "pep" and is cutting a wide swath in the political circles of the Mountain State.

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George F. King is doing some excellent press work for the National Religious Training School at Durham, N. C.

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The Negro press is finding the Afro-American page of the American Press Association of great benefit. The six pages of fresh and interesting matter, edited by N. Barnett Dodson, a clever writer and first-class business man, are furnished at a nominal cost—$1.50 per week—and it would pay every journal in the land to subscribe for it. Mr. Barnett now supplies about 100 papers, covering about 35 states, but his "string" should carry over 200. The page is endorsed by the leaders of the National Negro Press Association.

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The Little Rock meeting of the National Negro Business League was more widely reported than any previous session of that body.

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The special edition of Small's Negro Trade Journal, of New York, gave evidence of the hustling proclivities of its manager, T. Frederick Small. Besides an immense amount of advertising matter, it ran a large plate showing facsimiles of a score or more of the leading colored papers, adorned with the portraits of their editors or business managers.

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T. Thomas Fortune, the Nestor of Negro journalism, is again at the editorial helm of the New York Age. If given free reign, the veteran warrior will make the fur fly in glorious Gotham.

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J. C. Waters, Jr., of Washington, D. C., secretary of the Howard University Alumni association, is making a commendable effort to have the reputable white journals of the land to cease emphasizing the race of persons charged with crime. Glaring headlines, such as "Black Brute Assaults Child," "Negro Murders White Woman," "Black Thief Snatches Purse," etc., serve only to further inflame prejudice against the Negro race. There is no color in crime, and it is a rank injustice to make prominent the race of the persons accused of offenses against the community.

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Roscoe Conkling Simmons, who has just retired from the editorship of the New York Age, is to establish a race journal in the South, probably at Memphis, Tenn. He is now on a brief lecture tour. Mr. Simmons talks and writes with equal facility and effectiveness, and will "make good" wherever he decides to cast his lot.

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Emmett J. Scott is to collect his papers on various subjects and issue them shortly in book form. They will make an unusually valauble and attractive volume.

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The Western Press Association will meet at Topeka, Kans., November 30 and December 1, to discuss the best means of employing the great power of the press for the benefit of the race and the country at large. A. J. Smitherman is president of the association, and J. D. Cooks is secretary. The meeting should be well attended by the brethren of the craft.

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W. P. Bayless, a writer of decided ability, is sending out some bright theatrical "dope" from Washington to various race journals. He has a natural "nose for news," and will have a paper of his own when his term of service at the Census office expires.

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J. R. Harris is no longer connected with the Louisville Defender. His partner, W. H. Goodell, is now sole owner and editor. Mr. Harris has organized a company to operate a job printing office.

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The Guardian, the official organ of the Canadian Methodists, gave Dr. C. V. Roman, of Nashville, Tenn., the credit for making the best five-minute speech at the Ecumenical Conference at Toronto. Dr. Roman is a skilled specialist, and is editor of the Journal of the National Medical Association. It is conceded that he will be elected editor of the A. M. E. Church Review at the meeting of the General Conference of that church next May.

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In less than two years, the Amsterdam News, under the guidance of those journalistic pacemakers, James H. Anderson and George W. Harris, has attained a circulation of 15,000. It stands for the best thought and most progressive ideals of the people of New York City.

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Hugh E. Macbeth, editor of the Baltimore Times, is still working out a plan for the establishment of a great daily, to serve Baltimore, Washington, and Philadelphia simultaneously. He figures on a $100,000 plant, and a staff that can put over all of the features of a modern metropolitan daily newspaper. Mr. Macbeth has the faith that moves mountains and wrests success from untoward circumstances. Go on, boy, go on!

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"The Concert"—Mme. Anita Patti Brown, Mme. Alexis Hackley, and Mme. Sissieretta Jones. "Secret Service"—Ralph W. Tyler. "A Single Man"—Ira T. Bryant. "The District Attorney"—James A. Cobb. "The Red Rose"—Miss Abbie Mitchell. "Tempest and Sunshine"—Roscoe Conkling Bruce. "Brown of Harvard"—Frank Fowler Brown. "45 Minutes from Broadway"—W. T. Menard. "The Sign of the Cross"—Bishop Alexander Walters. "The Professor's Love Story"—Charles Winter Wood. "The Builders"—W. Sidney Pittman, A. Rayfield, and R R. Taylor. "Arms and the Man"—Major Arthur Brooks. "The Chorus Lady"—Miss Ora Dunlop. "The Arkansas Traveler"—William Alexander. "The County Chairman"—Robert N. Wood. "A Texas Steer"—J. B. Bell, R. L. Smith, and C. N. Love. "The Harvest"—Scott Bond. "Next"—John C. Dancy. "What the Doctor Ordered"—Dr. A. M. Curtis. "A Man of Honor"—W. H. Lewis. "Under Southern Skies"—Dr. James E. Shepard. "Joan of Arc"—Mrs. Ida Wells-Barnett. "The Easiest Way"—George W. Chivis. "The Heart of Maryland"—Harry S. Cummings. "Shadows of a Great City"—T. Thomas Fortune. "The Girl of the Golden West"—Miss Minnie Brown. "In a Bishop's Carriage"—Drs. J. S. Jackson, John Hurst, S. L. Corrothers, G. C. Clement, D. P. Roberts, J. M. Conner—and fifty others. "Counsel for the Defense"—Henry Lincoln James, "The Straight Road"—Bishop G. W. Clinton.

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The Kentucky Reporter, published for many years at Owensboro, Ky., by Geo. W. and R. T. Berry, has moved to Louisville.

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Rev. J. E. Reed, who edits the sprightly Colored Churchman at Shenandoah, Va., pastors Big Bethel at Luray, Shiloh at Shenandoah, Ebenezer at Hamburg, and Zion in Page county, Virginia. Just to occupy his spare time he fills the office of president of the Valley College in the Shenandoah Valley, near Luray.

## BELOIT, WIS.

A. A. Lewis is the general representative for The Freeman. Lewis is well known in Beloit, having lived there for ten years or more. He is one of the business men in Beloit. He is the custodian of the Beloit Water, Gas and Electric Company. He is also proprietor of a shoe shining parlor at 406½ North State street.

## EDITORIAL COMMENTS ON VARDAMANISM.

And now Senator Vardaman will be a United States Senator. Mississippi is certainly a child of varied experiences. As senators, she has had Jefferson Davis, the president of the Confederacy; Hiram Revels, the first negro to sit in that body; Blanche K. Bruce, the only negro to serve a full term there; L. Q. C. Lamar, who was a cabinet officer and a justice of the United States supreme court, and now she is to be represented by James K. Vardaman, the long-haired dreamer of Le Flore County.

Mr. Vardaman is the choice of the majority of his party in that state. As to whether he is the choice of a majority of the men of voting age in Mississippi is another puestion.—Washington American.

From all accounts it seems that Vardaman has been elected to the United States senate from Mississippi. Another pal for Ben. Tilman. It would be a wonderful quartet if Hoke Smith could be persuaded to take the job he worked so hard to get. Think of it! Ben. Tillman, Jeff. Davis, Hoke Smith and L. K. Vardaman. Wonder what they will do when they all get there?—Nashville Globe.

Well, and Vardaman carried the primaries in Mississippi, which is equivalent to an election to the United States senate. When he takes his seat we will see whether he will continue his tirade against the Negro.—Nashville Clarion.

Mississippi has maintained her reputation for a law order of intelligence when she sends to the senate, one Vardaman. He will bring to the senate pole cat methods, and sage brush manners, and only the most powerful fumigant will make his association bearable. His speaches will lack the euphony of the ass's braying and respond from an intellect not a whit less assinime. But perhaps Mississippi is not so dull after all—she she will be rid of him for the best part of six years.—Cincinnati Pilot.

The election of ex-governor Vardaman to the United States senate is a severe blow to the south and especially Mississippi: That state has made a splendid reputation since the war for itself, in the class and character of the men it has sent to represent it in the upper branch of congress. Mississippi has too many able and level headed men—Percy, himself—to take a man who persists in trying to do the impossible to the dettriment of the peace of the country.—Exchange.

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My dear readers, you are missing half of your life in misery and shame, worrying with a man that will not try once to please you, cherish or comfort you, and hold a bright light of good moral conduct before his children, by making home happy. Now, listen; if you have sighed, worried, cried and pleaded with him, and to no avail, you pray and let Madame McNairdee advise you. I know you will never regret it. My husband was a drunkard, a run-about and around, a gambler, and the most wicked man that our Lord ever let live, until all at once, after reading so often of this woman, I took up courage and let her hear from me. o-day, I will say it is on a stair-steps of ibles, I have a model man in every respect. I will praise this woman as long as I have breath. She made my husband a man, a husband, a gentleman.

I am yours in Christ and S. M. T.,
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Oklahoma, Okla.

My Dear Friends:

I am now making my own volunteer statement because this lady has caused me to be so happy. I would like so much to give you my name, but I hope you know why. I went with a young man two years and we spat all the time. We were twice engaged and he would disappoint me, until I consulted this wonderful lady. Now we are married, and have been for near three years. He is so nice and kind to me. I told him a few months ago of this advice and he would not agree with me until he lost his job, and then made up his mind, and do you know that my husband has one of the best jobs of his life by consulting her. No matter what you want to do or know, let her hear from you, and I vow you will never regret it. I cannot help believing that she is sent of God to do just what she is doing, and you never hear of a thing ugly that she has done. I visited her during the K. of P. Supreme Lodge, and I never met a nicer lady. I am a Christian and a leader in a good many church clubs. We chatted a good deal of such things. I find her very entertaining. I am, as ever, her friend,

MRS. JOSIE T. M.,
Washington, D. C.

To Whom It May Concern.

I have always been one of those that did not give any thought of this until about four years ago I had a great trouble and it cost me almost every dime I had, and my mother asked me one day to tell some of this trouble to this woman that we read so much about in our papers. Mother says, "I feel that she can help you." I had to laugh with tears in my eyes, for I was in jail; then finally I said, "Suit yourself; anything now, so I come clear and get out of here." She let this woman hear from her and about me. We never can forget what this woman said in reply. She said in substance, "If you will pray and trust God, I will do the rest." And bless her to-day and forever. I was called to trial, and every witness that could be found spoke in my behalf, and those who did not could not be found. I was returned to jail twice and then set free. Do you blame me for saying she is a power unknown, to help those who seek her aid? I am now doing business for myself and making good. Every month I send her twenty dollars. I have done this for four months, and shall always divide my last dime with her. I am her friend at all times.

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A $100,000 building for the use of colored boys and young men is something to think about. The generosity of the white people—Julius Rosenwald, the principal donor, and others—will not be forgotten.

Hurrah for the $100,000 Y. M. C. A. building! Hurrah for the white folks! Hurrah for the colored folks! Hurrah for Julius Rosenwald and Carl Fisher, Arthur Jordan, Madams Walker and McNairdee! Hurrah for the widow's mite also!

Hallowe'en merrymakers got along fine. and as the mayor would have it—an occasion of pure joy—from care set free and the rest of it. The revelers on learning that they were in favor got to their respective scenes post haste. And they did put on some joy.

Justice Duncan at Norfolk, Va., in a recent decision on race segregation held that the question was one of taste rather than law, and that so long as a Negro owned property or paid his rent and behaved himself he could live where he pleased. That's fair enough, Judge.

The African racial situation is looming up, rapidly claiming attention of those who are hoping and striving for the best. The leaven of civilization there is beginning to tell. And we may as well look forward to similar scenes witnessed in our country, since the agencies and subjects are the same. The race variety is identical, meaning the same processes, the same opposition. However, Africa has America as an example and should profit by its experience, thus making the way to the best understanding more certain and less difficult.

Continental Europe is Americanizing on the Negro question, due, of course, to the African hordes that are emerging slowly into the ways of civilization. The governments of those countries having African possessions are already studying the American way of dealing with the Negroes. It means that that former moral support of the Negroes in their fight for greater liberty will not be so strenuous. The Negroes will have to look to themselves for much of the kind of help that makes for greater liberty and the best citizenship.

There is much to be thankful for as a race in view of what has been. As citizens we think, and properly, too, that we have no reasos to be thankful for the lessening mob. But a condition confronts us, no theory. Hence we are thankful for the lessening mob. The decrease in mob happenings has been continuous, with only an occasional increase for the last twenty years. We lose sight of the fact in our resentment. One event is just one too many, but the year of the one event will stand for progress. There is hope where there is progress.

The Colored Y. M. C. A. will have great occasion to give thanks this year. A $100,000 building with modern improvements for the colored boys and young men of Indianapolis is assured. The colored people generally doubtless feel grateful for the blessing that has come to them. The prize is a grand one, a great one; so great that all can share in the joy. The white people who contributed much the greater part of the money will at least feel thankful that they have been the means of happiness to others, thus fulfilling the mission of men among men. The city will be just so much better for the effort and Christianity will have claimed its own, saving the heathen at the door as well as those on "India's coral strand." The building should, as a thing of civilization, be a peace monument—a sign of the best possible condition between the races.

## THE MATTER WITH LIBERIA.

A writer speaking of the drawbacks of Liberia, the African Negro republic, says that the American colored people there are indifferent to the financial opportunities offered to them by the Liberians. They seem to take no concern or very little, he says, beyond a sentimental interest in the republic. Perhaps the indictment may be entered against all of the Liberians, whether American Negroes or those from the bush. What the writer says savors of the truth. Commercialism, true enough, is now in the making in the States, but through no natural effort of the race. Discrimination is doing the work. And out of sheer shame and necessity come the hope of better conditions and the realization of better conditions. The Africans and Americans of Liberia have no such crucible to go through. Such stimulation as they get must come from emulation of the success of the races of whom they read, and which will fail in the most part because there is lacking the element of hard necessity. The many years may mean much to Liberia in bringing about an industrial reformation, but many years will be required, since the disposition, latent or otherwise, most unfortunately is not in the interest of commercial and industrial activity.

The Liberians will have to wake up to the situation, take advantage of precept and example. Failing in this, the little republic will lag forever in the rear ranks.

## APOLOGIZING FOR THE PRESIDENT.

Evidently some of the wise ones who heard President Taft in Chicago last Monday think that he is "skeered," that is, that Mr. Taft shows signs of weakening, giving away to his real thoughts in the matter of presidential succession, expressing himself as doubtful of the outcome of the next national election. Here is what the President said that seems the warrant of their suspicion:

"Now we are at—some people think—the crisis in the Republican party with reference to its continuance in the guidance of the nation. I am hopeful that the good people of the country, who know a good thing when they see it, have only chastened in an off year in order that we may be better hereafter, but with no intention of shifting from shoulders that are fitted to bear the burdens of the present problems and carry them to a successful solution, to those which are untried and which have new theories of action that we do not believe in, and that we don't believe the people believe in.

"However, if so be it that they desire to make a change, we shall loyally support the new government under any conditions, with the hope it will inure to the benefit of the country, but with the consolation that, if after one trial the people think they ought to go back to the old party that has served them so well in the progressive days of the nation, they will do so. We can bear that, my friends; that is all."

In our opinion Mr. Taft was ideal in his expressions, even if it's unusual for men caring for the presidency. We do not see that the President must fill his speeches with partisan enthusiasm, since he is no less President for the whole people. As a partisan he might assume that all the political virtues resided on his side, in his administration, in himself. The partisan enthusiast would rejoice in the narrow construction. But the foundation of the country was built up of just such views as Mr. Taft put forth. He proved the patriot rather than the partisan, the class that made the country in the beginning and who saved it in its threatened dissolution.

In short, Mr. Taft says there are others, and who may be preferred, and in such event he will bow to the public will. His apologists, and who are not needed, say that he was weary with the strain of travel, consequently he said more than he really meant. He said governmental principles, and which must stand if the government is to endure. What he said may be viewed as impolitic owing to the times, but, in our opinion, what he said will prove the wisest thing for him. In the end the people will turn to the class of big, whole-souled men who prefer to see the interest of the whole people advanced rather than that of a few.

The astute, brilliant appearing politician wins in favor, but he has nothing on the free, frank individual of good judgment and discretion. Thomas Jefferson, Grover Cleveland, George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Benjamin Harrison, told the truth and took the consequences. Others yet are of the class who saw national unity and a glorious civilization above the ambition for power. Mr. Taft is not very dissimilar to these, trusting his case in the hands of the people.

## IN GETHSEMANE.

Says Mr. James Douglass:

"The best minds of our day live in Gethsemane. They write with their hearts' blood. They are not professional martyrs or haloed saints. They are human beings, who ache with human sorrows and human follies and human sins. They are in the thick of our stupidity, our absurdity, our selfishness, our remorse. They rise with us out of the mire, and they fall with us into the mud. They show us our souls in the making, and the sight fills us with fear and shame and wrath and laughter. They make us hate ourselves and pity ourselves. And they help us to love our meanest neighbor.

And how particularly true is it as it concerns the Negro writers who are necessarily specialists, having greater interests to serve than other specialists. The Negro has, beyond those common causes, his own individual cause to plead; his rights to guard, beating the hard heart of untoward circumstances until it quivers in token of relief.

Perhaps it is best to say that the advanced thinkers of the race live in Gethsemane, not the writers only. The pulpit, the forum, the school-room, are no less means of advancing the race than the press. These, besides having to do with the errors of the age, are necessarily concerned with the prejudice of the age, thus doing double duty, transcending Gethsemane.

It may sound light and somewhat irreverent to thus express it, but only so in view of the religious reverence. In reality, however, there is nothing to fear from unaptness of comparison. We have seen our ten thousand Calvaries, none of which were without their Gethsemanes.

Thus is the grewsomeness of our civil life, and perhaps it's well to hold up the picture now and then that the perspective be caught aright. Who will protest the picture? We only have the right.

Yet we may well bear in a national way with the trials and tribulations, Gethsemanes and crosses if in the end comes the glorious translation, making the analogy complete—a trilology of circumstances eventuating in the best for race and country.

## JEFFERSONVILLE, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Louis Washington is slowly recovering from an ataack o lagrippe.... The Women's Improvement Club will meet at the residence of Mrs. Bettie Coleman, on National avenue, next Monday evening. After the business of the evening is transacted an interesting program will be rendered....Mrs. Hannah Jones, who has been quite ill at her home on Indiana avenue, is recovering nicely....Rev. Zollar, of Louisville, seems to have formed a favorable opinion of Jeffersonville, especially Indiana avenue....The pupils of the high school and the seventh and eighth grades of the Wall Street School have organized for the purpose of purchasing a piano to take the place of the present instrument, which has faithfully served its term of usefulness....The Pinchback Club and the Magnolia Embroidery Club gave a Hallowe'en mask ball at Forest Park, October 31. A grand time was enjoyed by all....Men's Forum is soon to resume its meetings and usual line of research and endeavors....The Apolo football team, of this city, which recently played the Louisville Central High School team a tie game, will meet the State University team next Saturday in Louisville. There is marked improvement in the team work this year. Any team wishing to tackle them can get information by writing to Bruce Hocker....Mrs. Nora Butler has moved into her new home on Illinois avenue, between Seventh and Eighth streets.... Mrs. Roper, of Noblesville, Ind., assisted by members of Jericho Chapter, No. 7, O. E. S., gave an interesting recital at the Indiana Avenue Baptist Church last Friday evening....Wayman James, of the High School, has been suffering from a severe attack of tonsilitis, necessitating his absence from school for a few days....Mr. H. Vertreace, an expert blacksmith of this city, has accepted a government position at Leavenworth, Kans....Rev. J. I. Hill, pastor of eBthel A. M. E. Church, is meeting with fine success thus far. The outlook seems more favorable than for some time. Cement steps are being built and plans for other improvements are maturing. ....Mrs. Margaret Bibbs and daughter Faramie are both reported convalescing. ....Mrs. Vanmeter is visiting relatives in Chicago, Ill....Mr. Charles Miller continues quite low with pulmonary tuberculosis at his home on Broadway. ....Get The Freeman of W. Frank Taylor, 344 Ohio avenue.

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(By L. S. Jefferson.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Clara E. Adams, Most Excellent Grand Queen of the Royal House, S. M. F., of the State of Missouri, was given a reception by the Busy Bee Juveniles, No. 23, S. M. F., Saturday, October 21. An excellent program was rendered. A paper by Miss Miss E. Blanton was excellent, and was responded to by Mrs. Adams in a most creditable manner. A luncheon was served to seventy-five persons. The tables were beautifully arranged in a mass of flowers....Miss E. Cole, sister of Mrs. Adams, has returned from Denver, Col., where she has been enjoying a vacation. She attended the reception....Dr. C. D. DeTrantuz has returned to Denver, Col, after a short stay in the city....The A. N. D. Girls will give their first annual bazaar at 1223 Woodland avenue, November 15. The club is composed of eighteen jolly girls, whose object is fun of strictly social order. They meet every Thursday evening at a member's house. The money made from the bazaar will go to give their annual reception to the Brouns. The committees appointed are as follows: Delicatesen booth, Miss K. Washington and H. Flood; fancy booth, L. Johnson, L. McFadden, Rebecca Well and Cecil Taylor; grab-bag booth, M. Payne, M. McFadden. Other booths have not yet been assigned. A good time is expected....Beginning October 29 there will be a series of lectures for the upbuilding of our race. Subject, "Existing Evils and Remedies for the Same," by W. C. Thompson, evangelist, of St. Louis, Mo., at the Lyric Hall, 1731 Lydia avenue....Mr. Samuel Paterson and Miss Bertha Clodia, 2311 Water street, Kansas City, Kans., were married Saturday, October 21....Mr. John Monroe, 1920 Woodland avenue, has been very sick with pneumonia, but is able to be up and about the house....Mrs. Anna Floyd, 2309 Woodland avenue, and little daughter Helen have returned to their home from a month's visit in the East....The Colored A. C.'s defeated Topeka (Kans.) Y. M. C. A. football team, 5 to 0. It was one of the best games of the season, and very largely attended....The weekly debate of the Y. M. C. A. was largely attended.... The Boys' Club is making a splendid showing.

## MERIDIAN, MISS.

Mr. Jerry Hemphill, of Vicksburg, Miss., has been visiting our city recently....Mr. Marshall Webster, of Cincinnati, Ohio, is in the city visiting his many friends....Rev. L. S. Lee preached an able sermon at New Hope Baptist Church Sunday night, October 29, to a large audience....Rev. T. L. Jordan, who was recently called to be the pastor of El Bethel Baptist Church, occupied the pulpit at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., Sunday. Large audiences attended both of the services....Dr. L. R. Young, one of our leading physicians, has gone to Hattiesburg, Miss., to practice....The Freeman can be bought at E. Richard's Cafe, on Thirteenth street, between Thirty-second and Thirty-third avenues....Mr. Scott is working up an international Sunday school convention for Meridian.

# PAST WEEK AT LOUISVILLE

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were two applicants who took the examination. The usual fall civil service examination for clerk and carrier was held this week at the local custom house and quite a number of young colored men were present.

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We have learned from good authority that one of Louisville's most popular school teachers is almost ready to issue her invitations. She is to be married in the near future. It would not be fair for us to call the name until the invitations are announced. We will leave our readers to guess who the lady is. The groom hails from a distant city.

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The Louisville Herald had the following to say in an editorial last week, concerning the Coweta, Oklahoma race riot: "The only vindication that is possible for Coweta and Oklahoma lies in the prosecution of the lynchers that brought a stain of blood to their record. Oklahoma and Coweta will do well to proceed forthwith to the prosecution of the members of the mob that lynched the Negro, Suddeth. Such a course will commend them to the public."

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Governor Willson will ever be remembered on account of his actions last week in reference to the colored woman who had been sentenced to the penitentiary at Frankfort, and was about to become a mother. As soon as the news appeared in the morning paper the management of the Kentucky Home Society for Colored Children, at 807 South Sixth street, called the Governor by long distance phone and offered through their representative in Frankfort, Rev. E. J. Jackson, to find a home for the mother until after the birth of her child and to care for the child. The Governor granted this request, which will save the child from bearing the stigma of being born in a state prison.

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It was our purpose this week to say something regarding a residence located on Tenth street, between Broadway and Magazine streets, within three feet of a colored church that is a disgrace to Louisville and to the race on account of the large number of young girls and boys of tender age that are seen to enter. The traffic is so great that the owner has been forced to enlarge his house. Steps should be taken at once to run this man out of business. Space will not permit us to say what we have learned regarding this place from those who have given us an exact description of the interior. Let us all join hands and erase this blot. Next week we will give more facts regarding it.

## CHICAGO WEEKLY REVIEW.

By Sylvester Russell.

### MADAM HACKLEY TRIUMPHS AT ORCHESTRA HALL IN A SONG AND LECTURE RECITAL.

### Sang Magnificently—Lecture Tedious in Spots—Has Found a New Field. Must Not Retire.

Bravo! Madam. Woman of wonders.
Triumphant of song in an exalted sphere
And talks that were not without blunders.

The prothonotary administrator of musical science and the queen of extemporaneous bewitchery is the new wreath of hope which divine providence will enable us to place upon the brow of E. Azalia Hackley. If we are to take the large audience which assembled at the great Orchestra Hall on Thursday evening, October 19, as a criterion, it would be to state that for prestige and business tact Madam Hackley is indeed a great woman. Rarely has the Negro race ever produced a woman in the musical field who could both lecture and conduct business in the bargain, as only a few men in the same line have done and accomplished. Inasmuch as the entertainment was billed as a recital given by one person, we must be willing to accept it as a song and lecture recital and treat it accordingly.

The program, which was interspersed first with a cluster of songs and then a monopoly of talk, alternately throughout, was of great and instructive variety, and to give justice to the merits of this now most accomplished woman's work will be to give a detailed review of the program as we heard it.

In the first cluster of four songs it was good judgment that the madam sang the heavier music first. Ambrose Thomas' Pololaise from "Miznon" was her first number. This she gave with as much brilliancy as any of her white predecessors I ever heard in the operas sang in French.

Mrs. Browning's poem, "Unless" by Carnicciola, was next, and was a voice rester. Her third and most pretentious number, sang in Italian, was the famous "Una, Voce Po. Co. Fa" from Rosini's "Barber of Sevilla," and the one in which so many great singers have failed to perfectly construct; and here Madam Hackley was no exception to the rule in this number, which belonged only to the supreme art of Patti Sembrick and Gerster. It was in lack of passion and radiance of staccato that her execution was contradictory and of a faultering tone in ascension rather than of flute-like surety.

"The Shoggy Shoo," by Mayhew, completed the set. Her first demonstration in talk on voice culture dwelt on racial characteristics, their cultivated and abrupt tendencies. She illustrated the pose and attitude of a somebody and the lesser degree of a nobody. When she went to Paris she received lessons in stage deportment and showed what they consisted of. In explaining the Negro as a singer she said that every Negro can sing if he will, and won't because he either don't have to or has no ear. As a brief illustration she said that large noses, the bridge and the post nasal cavity were all essentials to breathing, and the burly Negro, as the white people say, have a sounding board where the white man's nose is only a coo-coo spot. She said she had taught various races o people and in the White Chapel district of London she taught Turks and Hottentots and made mention of the Hindoos.

Of her second cluster of songs there were three. The first was an English song, "The Blackbirds' Song," by Cyril Scott, whom she had met in London. The second was "A Drop o' Dew," a Scotch number, by Hadley, which she sang in dialect superbly. The last of this group was an aria from Gounod's "Queen of Sheba." This was her best number for her method and conception, as I have seen Lili Lehmann sing and portray it in the opera in New York, which was perfect. It was her hour of triumph for the audience, which had been chilly, as Chicago society audiences susally are, fairly made the house resound with applause and numerous floral offerings were added to those which already had come, and lay at her feet. In her second talk she further explained the breathing and its relation to fighters in dealing the solar plexes blow which she described in a punch with her fist.

She also defined the new and old school of ministers in dialect and the differences of their method in exclamation and breathing. She next sang "Coming Thro' the Rye" as an illustration song, and her trilling was better than ever before. The last of this group was "Thou Brilliant Bird" from David's "Pearl of Brazil," which was her second best number and the best suited to her voice. Her last talk on vocal culture was good at first, but grew tedious in spots which call for killing of time. She said there are three requisites that go to make a singer—brains, breath and voice. Then finally she illustrated some vocal defects by singing "Swaunee River" faultily, and showed how young singers must breath, and gasp with a kissable mouth. She spoke of the lack of teachers there are in vocal culture and said there would be lots of teachers if they would only study music properly and that they would make as much as doctors and dentists; but I deny that assertion and could prove that half of them would starve to death. Then she sang her favorite but time-worn "Japanese Love Song."

The last group of three she classed as folk songs. "Nobody Knows" was a soft, sweet little gem in piamissimo; and "Run to Jesus," which she said caused Frederick Douglass to escape from slavery, brought forth sympathy; and "Why Adam Sinned" bordered on ragtime, which she sang with more voice but less agility than Aida Overton Walker.

In criticising Madam Hackley and her work, we must also praise her and bless her, for she belongs to the few earthly "thous," who only art divine. Today she has developed to be a greater artist and singer than ever before. She is of the coloratura class and not a dramatic soprano of the Black Patti stamp, both women who have now reached the age limit of greater possibilities. But in consideration of her record and accomplishments Madam Hackley's name will live in history as second only to Madam Sisseretta Jones, known as Black Patti.

Madam Hackley's voice, as I have said before, lacks both sweetness and power in the lower register and in this respect is excelled by Anita Patti Brown; but in consideration of her greater advancement in vocal and musical culture and experience, Madam Hackley must be looked upon as the greater artist; and neither of these women can or ever will compare with Black Patti in her palmiest days. Madam Hackley has always lacked warmth and spirit of exaction. Her disposition appeals to comedy; she has even been moulded for soubret work and that is why she delights to chew on the substance of vocal literature and other extremes which lead to commonplace humor and sarcasm of a kind which causes society to frown upon her eccentricities.

When I first heard her she was only an amateur talker, but now she has grown to be a professional who overtalks. But the most of her lecture was good and in a way beneficial to those who needed her instructions, even if given on a plan beneath her position, dignity and standard as an artist and as a slight affront to the social element which her vocal calling represents. However, her lectures would be a good thing through the South, if on a more meager scale, where people are not quite so highly educated in music as they are in the North, where the great musical conservatories have a ratio percentage of colored pupils.

Now that Madam Hackley has found a close relation, she must not yet retire from the stage, but take her song and lecture recitals and empty them into new fields, where they will be more valuable to her people and as she asserted that she did not give the recital for money, she will find more pleasure elsewhere in teaching novices. The use of Orchestra Hall was a great credit to the best white people of Chicago. All the regular attaches of the building, who are white, had good manners and in every way indicated the culture to be found among the best class of white people who advance from poverty by politeness.

The stage was nicely set with palms and the auditorium was a living picture of colored aristocrisy. Fear that Madame Hackley would fail to sing enough kept quite a few people away who were disappointed at Institutional Church last winter. Madam Hackley was her own accompanist, and while this detracted a little mite from her singing, the recital, which lasted two hours, was a grand success in every way, and everybody was well pleased. She wore pink satin covered with beaded lace imported from Paris, and was escorted to the stage by Mr. Lewis, who afterwards read telegrams from various places.

Madam Hackley now retires to be a teacher.

### The Mayor of Dixie at Mott's Pekin Theatre Draws Full Houses.

The very escence of fun was accomplished by the players who appeared at Motts' Pekin Theater, which opened last Monday night in Miller, Lyles and Miller's well-known and well-liked comedy, "The Mayor of Dixie." By the way of briefs, because of the lack of space, it is safe to say that the comedy itself is good, and the Pekin, now well established, will fill up at any time when people know there is a good show, which has now been seen by late experiments.

While the play was not staged sumptuously nor the chorus dressed lavishly, people who were looking for good, innocent, clean fun got it, and plenty of it for the money they paid out at the box office to see it. The leading comedy role was intrusted to Clifford Green, a comedian something on the Bert Williams order, who gave a very good performance throughout the play.

Charles Gilpin, who is never seriously considered as a blackface comedian, had a good part ah Hard Luck Sam and he made the part interesting. His song, "Lord Have Mercy on a Married Man," was excellent, even if moral people are always prejudiced against a song that speaks of the Diety.

Sam Arnold, as the blackface cop, was the third next best in that line and he made good. Charles H. Moore, who had little to do as the hotel keeper, was, as usual, a very fine actor.

Following the three blackface men, Walker Thompson, who acted very cleverly, and H. D. Coleman, who was fairly good, and Julius Sayre, whose dramatic instinct fell short, all added to the life of the panorama.

Of the women fair Bulah Ray White was the most convincing, especially in her singing and comedy scenes with Cliff Green. Ethel Marlowe was fair to look upon, and her song took well. Pinkie Walker was the other interesting little soubret, whose work stood out; and Corinne Letcher sang a rag.

The play was produced under the direction of Charles Gilpin, and staged by Buddy Gilmore. The music was by Tom Lemonier; and "Someone, Some Day, Somewhere" made a hit.

Judging from the full houses this play will be able to run another week. Actors and others who may be interested will remember when I wrote up "The Future of the Pekin Theater," I said it would be these musical comedies that would take, a fact that was disputed as usual by know-it-all actors, who insist on instructing a critic whose logic and experience creates their living.

### The Clippers and an Extra Fine Show at the Monogram Theatre.

The return of the well-known Clippers to the Monogram Theater as the signal for full houses and the usual line-ups. Jesse Clipper was there with the gods again and well up to his former record in handing new and original fun over the footlights of a house where he and his wife Della have become extremely popular. Mr. Clipper's crying spell was good humor, but his song was a little too slow. Mrs. Clipper, dressed like little Buttercup in pink silk, wearing a pink hat with goldleaves owers, was charming, with her natural beauty, to look upon.

Merriweather and Brown constitute another clever team, which came forward with a new act and their burlesque jungle scene was a laughable feature.

Miss Bessie Brown is also a good looking actress, and handles her songs in a nice manner.

Woody and Marshall played a return engagement at this house, greatly improved in their act, manner and dress, as well as in their singing. Leona Marshall seems to have "come back," both with her acting and singing, and looked pretty. Charles Woody, who has a pleasing personality, acted and danced well.

Miss Daisy Collins, in operatic songs and popular song fancies, gave good satisfaction. She is quite a sweet and talented vocalist.

This week also gives a beauty show, as every actress on the program is real handsome. (Pardon me for boosting their vanity.) Will Dorsey, who is a most excellent accompanist, brings on showers of praise to the orchestra; and George Ross, the electrician, gave good lights.

### Illustrated Songs and Photo Plays at the Phoenix Theater—Hattie May Patten a Fine Singer.

The photo plays given at this house are certainly superior in quality. "A Western Heroine" had features of shivalry that brought forth remarkable applause. "When Two Hearts Are One" was also a lovable story. The bright particular feature of the program was Hattie May Patton in one of the best songs of the season entitled "Somebody Else; It's Always Somebody Else," and the scenes were most beautiful. Mrs. Patten, formerly pianist at this house, but now the soloist, to our surprise, is a real gifted singer. Her soprano voice, which is sweet in quality, is moderately powerful and fairly well trained. She was applauded after each verse of the song.

O. C. Hammond, manager and lessee of this house, and Martin Klein, of the Monogram, are the kind of white men whom the colored race can appreciate and well afford to patronize.

G. B. Kyle is still the popular door tender at this house.

Adah Banks was the bi electric lighted headliners at the Bijou Dream last week.

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Joe Simms is working single at the Family Theater this week.

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Jerome and Lewis have again joined hands and will probably be seen in a new act soon.

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Elvira Johnson and Rebecca Roper are now entertaining at Russel & Dago's, where they are drawing big crowds.

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People who write letters for information must send stamps if they want a reply; and actors and other people who want advertising favors must pay for them. There are too many people who expect favors for nothing who say that newspaper men are mean, when in fact they are cheap themselves.

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David Grear, Jr., is now electrician at the Pekin Theater.

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A. R. Fall, usher at the Monogram Theater, has been transferred to the position of fire guard at that popular play house. The Monogram has had a sign painted in gold on the box office window. Now strangers will not have to walk right past the door looking for the house. I had suggested the same thing to the management last winter.

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Tim Owsley, I notice, suffers a sameness of variety unless he comes forth with something new. The time he spends in writing prose about the critics could well be spent in writing himself a new act. What Owsley needs is an act to draw in brains, new stuff and a certain critic's record.

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A. W. Green, late of Black Patti's Comedy Company, has been booked over the nearby Southern circuits. He will open at Cincinnati with St. Louis to follow. He recently spent an evening doing the Stroll with Brother "Sylves," and takes this opporeunity of saying hello to the New York end of the C. V. B. A.

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The Rollands, Bill and Flossie, have left this city for Philadelphia, where they open at the Auditorium for two weeks, with ten weeks to follow in the State of Pennsylvania. Billy Rolland is a popular young actor of good qualities, and the Easterners will like him.

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The Smith-Johnson Trio consists of Billy B. and Leonce Johnson and Luke Johnson, the song writer. They were at the Casino Theater last week. Christ Smith has gone to New York to engage in song writing there.

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Miss C. Delpha Boger, contralto, will appear under the auspices of the Cleff Club at Oakland Music Hall Wednesday evening, November 1. It is understood that Miss Boger is singing to pay her tuition in the conservatory. She will be assisted by Mrs. C. C. Lewis, William H. Hackney, Alice Booker, T. Theodore Taylor and Prof. Charles Elgar.

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Charles C. Van, who appears in Joe Demming and Company's vaudeville act, "The Traveling Man," is now a familiar figure among the actors of the Stroll.

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Wilbur C. Sweatman, the double clarinet expert, has arrived in the city from the Southern circuit. It is understood that he will go over the Pantages time immediately, and then return to the Far East.

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Shelly P. Jones, a western dramatic actor, has arrived in the city to join A. Lincoln Harris' "A Bogus Prince" Company, which is to open at Motts' Pekin Theater about November 5. The company will also include Arthur H. Dunham, Fannie Hall Clint, Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson, Miss B. O. Fortson, Mrs. Lacey McGraham, E. J. McCoo and others.

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The fourth hearing in the litigation over the estate of the late Robert T. Motts, which was to have taken place October 21, was postponed until November 4, in the Probate Court, Municipal Building, Judge Charles S. Cutting presiding.

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Manager Duke Brennon, o the New Grand Theater, denies the rumor that the house is to be booked by the Western Vaudeville Association, and also wishes it understood that he is catering to the patronage of the colored people, and complains that he cannot get enough colored acts all of a variety, continuously necessary to keep supplied; and therefore has to play white acts. I did not see the show this week, owing to a tilt with the management, which has now been adjusted.

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The following reply to the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Colored Vaudeville Benevolent Association, of New York, explains itself. Dated October 8:

Dear Ladies and Sisters of the Auxiliary.

It gives me great pleasure to note, through your president, Mrs. Sarah G. Byrd, that an auxiliary of the C. V. B. A. has been started, and that so much interest has been manifested by the professional women of New York City at this early stage of its existence. You will be sure to have the benefit of my co-operation in Chicago, at any urgent or other convenient time.

Respectfully and fraternally yours,
SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

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GOSSIP OF THE STAGE

The Kemp at Alhambra theater, New York City.

Peat and Hayes, Blue Mouse theater, Washington, D. C., week of October 30.

Henderson and Henderson, Gem theater, Centreville, R. I., and the Star at Pawtucket.

Princess Rajah is now plain Miss Jane Johnson Well, she's the goods under any old name.

Vance Lowry, the Banjo King, is playing at the Howard theater, Washington, D. C., this week.

Albert Johnson, pianist at the Crown theaetr, has taken the first degree in the Masonic lodge.

John W. Cooper, the ventriloquist, opened last Monday at the Able opera house, Easton, Pa., and made a big impression.

Martin and Motley at the Manilla, Indianapolis, last week. Made big hit. Rosa Motley is a favorite of that section of the city.

Verona L. Biggs, late of the J. C. O'Brien's minstrels, is now in Chicago. Would be glad to hear from friends. Address Chicago.

Happy John Delaney and wife are at the head of the Cotton Blossom minstrels which are playing at the colored fair at Camden, S. C.

Johnny Jones and Eva Moore play a return engagement at the Savoy theater, Beaver Falls, Pa., week of October 30. Canton, O., to follow.

Daniels and Daniels have returned to Helena, Ark., October 24. They opened the Star theater. They made a hit singing "I Ain't Nobody's Fool."

Carlisle and Wellman, at the Hippodrome, Sotckton, England, this week. This clever team has scored a big success since they arrived in England.

The celebrated Leon, magician and ventriloquist, after playing two successful weeks in New York City, will open in Washington, D. C., November 6.

Happy S. Lockhart, singing and dancing and talking comedian, has just closed two weeks with the Warrington Stock Company, now in vaudeville, St. Louis, Mo.

Murphy and Francis back in the harness again—on the big time. Their admirers glad to see them back again. Week of November 6th Bijou theater, Fitzburg, Mas.

The Watts Bros., well-known comedy acrobats, after spending four successful months on the Southern vaudeville circuit. Are back on the A. G. Allen's minstrels as a special feature.

Wilson and Curnby, "The Band Man and His Band," played Akron and Youngstown, O., week of October 23, and were one of the big hits of the bill. They open in Calgary, Can., November 2nd.

Aida Overton Walker and company opened last Monday at he Colonial theater, New York last Monday and scored a big success. This week the act is playing at the Orpheum theater, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Chris Smith and McPherson are putting on an act on the big time called "School Days in Dark Town, which will consist of ten people. Kelly and Davis will be the leading comedians.

Leon, the well known colored magician and ventriloquist, has scored a big success since arriving in New York City. Leon scored a big success at the Howard theater, Washington, D. C., recently.

Thornton and Long played at the Family theater in New York City October 25-26, and Savoy theater, Hoboken, N. Y., the 28th. Opened Monday, October 30, at the Crescent theater, New York City.

That Boy—Wayne M. Burton, now in his tenth week at Birmingham, Ala. He is a young performer but is having great success. He bids fair to be one of the big ones. Now with the Chamberlins shows.

Henry Johnson, the general all round lad at the back of the stage at the Crown Garden, Indianapolis, is right in line for thespian honors. He has already been on in minor parts. He has not decided what he wants to be.

Those delightful Too Sweets at the Crown Garden, Indianapolis, this week. Willie came back loaded for the town. His songs and jokes on the city were happy hits. Don't want to forget that little lady; she is a winner also.

The Miler Family, musical artists and singers have returned to Washington, D. C., after a successful tour down east. They are now playing at the leading churches in Washington and the people are so enthusiastic that they are in constatn demand.

The Cox Trio attended the reception at Mobile, Ala., tendered by Miss Mary W. Harris in honor of her brother, Mr. Willie Harris, of Meridian, Miss., who was paying her a visit. Butler and Butler and the Watts Brothers were among the guests present.

Prof. William Jonah, card manipulator and magician, apepared at the Fairyland theater and scored a big success. Prof. Jonah has an act which is appreciated both by the public and the managers. He has open time after October 30, to play first class theaters. Address Lincoln theater, Washington, D. C.

Miss Bessie Gibson, who possesses a voice of remarkable range and sweetness and one of the best singers of Washington, D. C., and also pianist, will appear at the Howard theater in a very neat singing specialty. This well known singer is in demand at the churches, concerts and social functions. She will also feature "In the aGrden of My Heart."

## NOTES FROM GLOBE THEATER, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

Mr. Frank Crowd still wears a broad smile because he has one of the best companies ever seen south. Miss Jennie Taylor and her picks keeps the house in an uproar nightly. Miss Ora Webb is a scream also. R. H. Emiles and the Petibone Sisters are the best trio ever seen in Jacksonville. The team of White and White leaves for ePnsacola after three weeks of success. Sims and Sims, late of the Smart Set company, are in their sixth week and going as big as ever. J. H. Williams, Jacksonville's favorite comedian, never fails to hit 'em hard every night. Joe Means and Billy Bradley are on the job right along. he company was given a big spread Thursday night by Mr. Slim Kye, the tailor, and all had a delightful time.

## ALLEN AND ALLEN AT THE AIRDOME, AUGUSTA, GA.

Allen and Allen have had a successful season with stock and vaudeville. Mr. Allen has put in the whole season in two houses as general manager and pro ducer since he closed his road show, namely, Allen's Troubadours, in Nashville, Tenn., May 6th, 1911. He has been manager of the Central theater, Atlanta, Ga., and the Airdome theater, Augusta, Ga. He will close the Airdome theater, Augusta, Ga., Saturday, November 18, 1911, until March 1, 1912, which will make him twenty-four weeks at the Airdome. Mr. Allen presents the patrons of the Airdome a strong bill of vaudeville and stock Monday night, October 30th and all the week, finishing with one of his latest comedy farces, entitled "The First School Days in Georgia," by the entire company, using nothing but the best performers in the business as follows: The Arntes, Maingault, Kite Fisher, Billey Grace, Mable Johnson, Allen and Allen and Gleen and Smith's orchestra. They all are happy and send their best regards to their and send their best regards to all friends.. Mr. Allen is haulting between two things whether to take his show, Allen's roubadours, out on the road,T or take charge of some first class show this winter. Have nice offer from both sides, so members with the Troubadours last season and other performers write, also managers of good colored theaters. Address G. W. Allen, general manager of Airdome theater, Augusta, Ga.

## CINCINNATI THEATRES.

### THE Pekin—The Gaither.

A well satisfied audience packed the Pekin for three shows Monday night, to enjoy two unusual strong turns on the bill. Thomas and Ward were holdovers, with a complete change of characters. This team proved to be a little better than the average holdovers acts. The Kid is putting on some real comedy this week, and the crowd enjoyed it. The same people cheered and applauded little Miss Ward when she sang "Pickaninny Days," though they were entirely unaware that her heart was aching, having received a message from far away announcing the death of a sister. Although it was sad news, it was impossible for her to close her booking on so short a notice.

Gus Simmons and Mamie Payne are new on the avenue, and they went with a whirl, singing, dancing and talking being the features of their act. Miss Payne is one of those unusual attractive comediennes that knows what to do at the right time. She has a good voice, and is a good dancer. In the closing number, as the Belle of Monterey, her Mexican dance is excellent. Mr. Simmons is very funny as a blackface comedian. He has a good monologue and sings some very catchy songs. This is a strong comedy sketch, and should be in popular demand.

Gillam and Williams, singing and dancing comedy four, are at the Gaither this week. The act consists of two girls and two men, and they make up the entire card. The girls furnished chiefly the singing and dancing, while Gillam and Williams put on the real comedy. The turn is a new one out here, and it has plenty of class. Gillam has played the avenue before with the team of Harper and Gillam. He is a first-class tramp comedian, and his partner is os funny as we generally see out here. They have left out so much slop-stick work from their act and discarded that old line of Negro comedy, and are putting on something out o the ordinary for this time. This is the best show we have had for weeks.

### Notes.

Miss Marguerite Ward, who is playing at the Pekin Theater, received a telegram announcing the death of her sister, Miss Frances Ward, at Kansas City, Mo. Owing to several weeks' important booking Miss Ward was not able to attend the funeral. She has the sympathies of her many friends in and out of the profession.

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Miss Lucy Shepherd received quite an ovation Monday night, when she sang "Alexander's Rag-Time Band" at the Pekin Theater.

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Mr. Frank Phelps, of this city, was the recipient of many congratulations from friends when his speedy mare, Madam Phelps, won a big race at Latonia this week.

ADD CITY NEWS ... ... ... ... ... ...

Mrs. Seth Edwards, of Kokomo, Ind., is in the city, where she thinks of locating.

Mr. Charles W. Bramlett and Master Edward Knox attended the motorcycle races at Shelbyville Sunday.

## STAGE NOTES.

Mail will reach Pearl Moppin at Tarboro, N. C., Box 201.

Don't forget the Colored Stage Professional's Annual. It will be a who's who book, giving a line on every Negro performer in the world.

This week, at the Orpheum Theater, Philadelphia, are the following artists: Ethelyn and Luke, the Dainty Duo; Ray and Williams, musical comedians; White and White, the vocal stars. Last week: Gains and Brown, the Rollins, and Prof. J. J. Thurston and his Sleeping Beauty were prime favorites. The new building will soon be finished.

The Cycling Wodens, including the only colored lady cyclist in vaudeville, are doing fine and going big around Chicago. The managers state the Woodens do tricks on bicycles and unicycles they have never seen before. They play Crown Garden, Indianapolis, week of November 6, with the American and Grand, at Chicago, to follow.

Mack and Mack, with Hal Hunt's Famous Georgia Minstrels. Mrs. Mary Mack has just returned from a ten weeks' vacation at her home in New Orleans, La. The team was made a trio on September 29 by the arrival of a eleven-pound baby boy. Regards to our friends. Glendora, Miss., next week.

Prof. James Wolfscale and his company will close their season November 11 at Water Valley, Miss. Every member of the band that opened the season is still here. Prof Wolfscale and company have signed for the Barnum & Bailey Shows for next season. The bunch sends best regards to all their friends in and out of the profession.

## HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS.

### Notes of Eph Williams' Silas Green Company.

While playing Jackson, Tenn., the 27th and 28th, a cold snap caught us, so we had to play in the Imperial Theater, a colored vaudeville theater under the management of Mr. E. B. Dudley, also a colored man and a fine one. We played to the usual S. R. O. Mr. Tom Price, our principal comedian, is as funny as ever, with the able support of Mr. Don Bradford, as straight, also Miss Susie Price, our leading lady, and Mrs. Don Bradford, who easily won the favor of the large audience. Our first act of Silas Green was a scream from start to finish. Then came the olio. Miss Bradford sang to two encores with each of her songs. Then came funny Tom Price in his monologue. Miss Susie Price was presented with a large boquet of flowers after her last number. Clemo-Clemo closed the olio with their novelty. Miss Bessie Edington, the female member of the team made herself a great favorite with her difficult dancing and chick appearance. Then Clemo settled it all with his acrobatic and contortionist novelty, finishing with a lively march song. Our last act was also a scream, and everybody went away with a brand new idea. Miss Williams has been on the sick list for a while, but is up again, with a bright smile for every one. Prof. Eph Williams and R. C. Pugglery are as busy as bees. Our band is one of the best, under R. H. Collens. The orchestra is under Frank Miller. Regards to all friends.

## AT THE THEATRES IN INDINAPOLIS—BERT WILLIAMS A BIG FEATURE IN THE FOLLIES.

J. D. HOWARD.

The Crown Garden presented to its patrons one of the best bills of the season. There was not a dull spot in the whole program. Many of the old favorites of the house were back with us again and the "aquallage invoked at each performance was something awful. The Hillmans and Lizzie Heart split hairs with each other for the first place honors and it is still a guess in the minds of the unbiased which of the two acts were the best received.

### Crosby & Young
### Singing, Dancing and Talking
### 12 Mins. in One.

This act was a fresh one on the audience and made an impression by the trick dancing of Mr. Julius Young. The introduction of anything new at the Crown Garden theater is always well received providing, of course, that there is merit in the offering. Young is an artist in a class by himself as a "shanker," and his stunt, lying prostrate across two chairs, doing many of the most difficult steps was liberally applauded. This act has worked together but a short time. There is ability represented in both young men and doubtless as time goes on these two will get together a top notch act.

### John Love
### 10 Mins. Full Stage
### Pianologue and Somic Stories.

One of the surprises of the bill was the act of John Love. As a performer of versatility, Love showed himself to be there with the goods. Hitherto he had been known only as a performer who worked with his wife and was not regarded as one who could go it alone. His stories were all fresh and went well. His style and manner of putting them over had an originality that was at once appealing. At the piano he put over a couple of his own compositions, which were all wool and a yard wide. They were: "Whose Going to Be Your Bonbon Buddy When I'm Dead and Gone" and a parody on "The Blues."

### The Hillmans
### 15 Mins. in "One" and Full Stage
### Singing and Talking.

One of the favorite return acts was the Hillmans, who put over, as only they can put over, another of their delightful pot-pouries of up-to-date comedy and songs. The yarns of Mr. Hillman were of the same snappy character as of yore and not a single one of them hung fire. He is noticeably clean in all he offers and the newness of the jokes was an evidence of his creative ability. Miss Hillman has the same dainty finish and "business" to he rwork that attracted attention when she was seen here earlier in the season. Her song, "My Loving Honey Man," gave her a splendid opportunity to display her ability as a singer. The best received song number of the act was Mr. Hillman's "Mind Yo' Own Business, 'Tend To Yo'n Business and Let Other Folkes' Business Alone." A catch song and dance number closes the act, which was so well received as to make it difficult for the team to get away.

THE HILLMANS.

### Lizzie Hart
### Singing
### 10 Min. in "One."

Miss Lizzie Hart was also a "repeater." Too much has already been said in these columns of Miss Hart to warrant further discourse of her merits as a performer. She labored under a very serious disadvantage on the opening performance due to the fact that her trunk was delayed. She overcame the difficulty, however, and went on in her street attire, making good as nothing had happened. She put over DeKoven Thompson's latest success, "If I Forget" with an unction and power that won the entire audience. Her expression and feeling is the same and she makes every line distinct to the remotest part of the house. She has lost none of her matchless gyrations in the rendition of her songs which adds to them a spiciness and winsomeness that is absolutely beyond the reach of the ordinary performer.

### Bert Williams at the English.

Bert Williams, the imperial comedian and master joke-smith of the colored performers, is again the prime factor as a funster and stand out quantity with The Follies, which are doing a week's stand at the English opera house. The daily papers have been unstinted in their praise of the great comedian's work. By their criticism it is plain to be seen that they place him at the very gateway of legitimate drama. Ye Gods! We as a people can only stand and tremble at the natural evolution which seems to have already set in. All persons up in stagecraft recognize Mr. Williams to be the only eligible performer for the honor which circumstances seem to be holding out t hoim. Viewed from any angle, one cannot overlook the fact that Mr. Williams is the one bright spot in the cast of the present Follies Company; and to attempt a broader defense of this view would require too many radical statements which could not possibly advance the great comedian one iota; but, on the toher hand, might, in some far-fetched manner, do him harm. Therefore, let us silently await the final denouement, trusting to God, who alone has the power to fairly dispense the equation of human merit.

J. D. HOWARD.

### At The Manilla.

Mr. Edgar Martin, the well known comedian, has hooked up with Mr. John L. Lewis, manager of the Manilla theater, under contract to produce "stock" indefinitely. He is assisted by Miss Rosa Motley, who is well remembered as a substantial member of the Goodloe aggregation who played so long this summer at the Northwestern Pavillion, under the management of Howard & Knox. Mr. Martin has surrounded himself with a caste of performers of known repute, including such men as "King Holbert," who recently filled an engagement at the Crown Garden theater as a monologist. Mr. Holbert is sending the enormous crowds away nightly with the smile that won't come off. Mr. Martin is essaying the role of "straight man," which, of course, is enough said. His present role in "one" on the people as they had only known him as a comedian and were surprised to see him cast as a "straight" man and his work wrung from them many acknowledgements of his versatility as a performer. As manager of the house, Mr. Martin desires to hear from all first-class stock people who **can,** and are **willing** to work in "stock." Mrs. Love is also a member of the new company.

## BOWLING ALLEY OPENED.

Messrs. C. H. Beck and C. H. Thomas have opened the Crystal Bowling Alley at Illinois and Ohio streets. Monday evening a match game will be played between George Wilson and C. H. Thomas.

## DR. MASON LECTURES.

SHELBYVILLE, Ind.—Special. — Dr. M. C. B. Mason lectured Thursday evening at the First M. E. Church, under the auspices of the Second M. E. Church.

Mr. Oscar Tyree was in the city this week in the interest of The Freeman.

## LOGANSPORT, IND.

Kip Taylor, agent for The Freeman, has been sick for several days, but he is up again and at work at 302 Fifth street, at S. L. Harris' barber shop....Marion Social Club gave a grand masquerade ball Tuesday night, October 31. Refreshments were served....The Hotel Waiters' Club gave a grand masquerade ball Hallowe'en. Visitors were present from Marion, Peru and other places....Mrs. S. Ferris left Tuesday, October 31, on a visit to Chicago, Ill.....Mrs. Arthurton is spending a few weeks in Chicago, visiting friends and having a nice time.

## LETTER LIST.

### Gentlemen's List.

Brooks & Clifford.
Boyd, Al.
Dudley, S. H.
Earl, W. R.
Handy, W. H.
Hinson, Walter.
Hicks, J. T.
Horace, Geo.
Kirkpatrick, Sidney.
Moore, Alonzo.
Owens, Willie.
Rucker, John.
Sherwood, Ed.
Spyglass, J. Elmer.
Steward, Edward.
Tobias, John T.
The Great English.
Viney Whitney.
Woods, Johnnie.

### Ladies' List.

Michaels, Mrs. Levara
Kenney, Miss Hazel.
Thomas, Miss Elizabeth
Foster, Miss Emma L.
Skinner, Miss Emma.

## REPORTS FROM BROWN'S TENNESSEE MINSTRELS.

Well, we are out in Minnesota making good, as usual. Just received two new drops, which make quite an addition to our show. Everybody happy. The band playing all the big stuff they can get their hands on. Here is the roster of the company: W. A. Brown, owner and manager; Mrs. W. A. Brown, Pearl Taylor, Oscar W. Carson, Duke Anderson, S. A. Butler, J. C. Jackson, N. R. Wilson, Thurston Maupin, E. M. Bell, Albert Robinson, Fred Baker, Norman Little, G. C. Clay. Everybody doubles here. Regards to all in and out of the profession. Route: Houston, Minn., November 7; Lanesboro, 9; Preston, 10; Harmony, 11.

## ROUTE.

BLACK PATTI'S MUSICAL COMEDY COMPANY—Mariana, Ark., November 6; Helena, 7; Stuttgart, 8; Little Rock, 9; Hot Springs, 10; Pine Bluff, 11.

P. G. LOWERY & CO., With Wallace-Hagenbeck Circus—Crockett, Texas, November 6; Palestine, 7; Jacksonville, 8; Nacogdoches, 9; Beaumont, 10; Lake Charles, La., 11.

ADAM FOREPAUGH-SELLS BROTHERS CIRCUS—Mobile, Ala., November 6; Gulfport, Miss., 7; Hattiesburg, 8; Laurel, 9; Jackson, 10; Water Valley, 11.

A. G. ALLEN'S BIG MINSTRELS—Mooresville, N. C., November 6; Charlotte, 7.

KIBBLE & MARTIN'S U. T. C. COMPANY—McComb, Ill., November 6; Canton, 7; Peoria, 8-9; Quincy, 10; Hannibal, Mo., 11.

EPH WILLIAMS' SILAS GREEN COMPANY—Birmingham, Ala., November 6.

### The Two Sweets
### 18 Mins. and Full Stage
### Singing and Talking.

The accompanying illustration is a very good likeness of the "Two Sweets" who are appearing at the Crown Garden theater again this week after a three weeks absence. This team has been extensively reviewed before, and there remains but little to be said that has not already been said of these two really great performers. Their line of work contains much of the same kind of stuff as seen in their previous effort. By this we do not mean to say that the act remains the same as before without change of jokes and songs but that the work of the brilliant pair jogs along in about the same grooves and, indeed, we see but little chance of improvement. Mr. Sweet's new song, "Nothing New Under the Sun," with localized verse, was a big hit. Whilst he has no advance man to get together on this line of stuff for him as does Mr. Dockstader and others we might mention, he, nevertheless, has put together several stanzas of a local political nature that set the house wild with laughter.

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GOSSIP OF THE STAGE

Trice and Trice are having great success in their new song.

Charlie Jones has closed at the Dandy Dixie Theater. Now at Atlanta, Ga.

P. S. U. S. Thompson (Slow Kid) making good with his funny sayings, Dixie Theater, Oklahoma City, Okla.

The two Johnsons have just closed a five weeks' engagement at Washington, D. C. Now at the Pekin, Richmond, Va. Going big.

Billy Moore, trombonist and comedian, late of the satisfied musical enterprize with the Buffalo Bill show, recently joined the Florida Blossom Co.

Frank Kirk will be seen at the Family Theatre, Indianapolis, week of the 30th; week of the 6th of November, Louisville; week of the 13th, Crown Garden, Indianapolis.

Robert C. White, the genial manager of the Darktown Swells, has closed to accept an attractive offer to enter vaudeville. He and wife opened at Jacksonville, Fla., for two weeks, where they went big.

At the Dixie Theater, Tampa, Fla., business is good. Playing to packed houses nightly. J. H. Campbell, stage manager. Laura Moss, Miss Parker, Fred Faulks and Denloward and Santania are making good.

The only and original Happy Howe, comedian, has just closed a very successful season of two weeks at Baltimore. He appeared in Washington, where he had great success at Dabney's Theater. Then to Wilmington, N. C., where he saw his parents.

A new play house at Savannah, Ga., will be on the northwest corner Harris and Jefferson streets. The name will be The Hippodrome, seating capacity 1,000 opera chairs; proscenium opening, 35 feet; stage depth, 30 feet; fireproof building, size 60x125 feet. Policy of the house will be two shows nightly. Matinees Wednesdays and Saturdays.

## NEW ORLEANS, LA.

The Black Eagle Modern Minstrels played at the Christian Airdome, Pass Christian, Miss., and played to S. R. O. on the 20th; Gulfport, Miss., on the 21st, and met with big success. Mr. Lucien Janaux says his company has made great progress since their beginning. Cliff Rhoders, the contortionist, began work on the 21st for the first time in three weeks. He has just recovered from a severe illness. He has made good.

## Frank Hendon Informs Stage-Struck Girls.

Say, Hendon, when it comes to know-nothingism, you are the peppermint sauce. The manager of the Freeman committed an error in getting you to inform stage-struck girls, because you are always knocking somebody in a joking way. But thanks to goodness, I'm wise to you, you bone-head. Do you get me? You tramp. The boss of the leading Negro journal is paying you one hundred dollars a week for your idiotic answer to our letters. Surely the man is blind, because I don't understand why in the world he can's see your continual knocks on our stage-struck sisters. Your Aggravated Agnes.

Answer.—Well, Ag, if the manager is blind, how can Elwood C. Knox?

Dear Hendon—I'm going on the stage in the near future. You may tell the other stage-struck girls, but don't blab it to the professionals.—Kiddossee.

Answer.—What's the mater with you, Kiddo? It wouldn't hurt to put Fanny Wise.

Dear Hend on—Do you know a first-class advance agent?—Ida.

Answer.—Sure; I know a corker.

## "LIVE WIRES FROM THE MINISTREL SHOW"

### By Max C. Elliott, "The Widcat Agent.

McCabe's Minstrels doing a big business in Missouri, having been six weeks in that State. Leon A. Donaldson, the piano player and composer, joined the big show at King City, Mo., October 14, and is now at the head of the orchestra, replacing Mr. Overstreet, who, with his wife, left for Kansas City on the 14th.

Albert Young joined October 15, replacing Hiberny Hunt, who left for Chicago, Ill. Gordon C. Collins, the minstrel end man, joined the show at Pattonsburg, Mo., on October 12.

The show is now headed for the State of Illinois, where it will play for three weeks, returning again to Missouri. The writing and book are in the hands of Max. C. Elliott, while William McCabe is putting on the shows and hustling at the backs.

Everything points to success with this combination. Regards to The Freeman.

## SHIELD'S COLORED EXTRAVANGANZA CO.

OWENSBORO, Ky.—I have signed with Shields' Big Ragtime Opera, now touring Dixieland, or the "Land of Sunshine." Mr. Shields thought it best for me to take the stage and produce this famous colored extravaganza, which is under canvas. We have twenty-five people, band and orchestra.

Mr. Joe Clark is in the company. Mrs. Hicks is not featuring her large snakes. The show, as a whole, is refined and up-to-date.

Mr. Wallace Peterson is leader of the orchestra, and sends regards to the Goats. We also have the team of Watts and Edwards doing a comedy part, the fancy and short of it. I intend to have the little stock company in demand at all times. Prince Oskazuma, the fire fiend, is doing his novelty fire act with the company. EUGENE CLARK.

## LUTHER R BURKE, SUCCESSFUL PERFORMER, COLUMBUS, O.

Luther R. Burke is making his fourth season with Al. W. Martin's Uncle Tom's Cabin. He is having great success with Witmark's song, "My Heart Has Learned To Love You, Now Do Not Say Good Bye." He is also leader of Uncle Tom's Cabin Quartette. Mr. Burke was born in Bombay, India, twenty-eight years ago; was brought to Roanoke, Va., when two years old. As a performer he is making his way rapidly to the front. He has an original act of singing and Japanese balancing and juggling. He sends regards to all his friends in the profession. Would like to hear from managers at all times. Address 3132 Armour Ave., Chicago, Ill.

## DOWN IN DIXIE MINISTRELS.

Our company is still in the Lone Star State doing nicely. Our stars, Williams and Stevens, are pleasing the people with their last act, "The Richest Man in Georgia." Gus Stevens is doing a single turn in the olio. His impersonations are so good the people wonder until he takes off his wg. Charlie Williams is cleaning up singing "Adopted Child" and "Kokomo."

Our olio is one of the strongest that has been seen down this way for a long time, opening with La She, the wire king; Al. Toliver, skate dancer; Gus Stevens, impersonator; Dr. Voodoo and his flock; Pewee, wizard comedy juggler.

Robert Allen is Mr. Williams' understudy, and has a bright future. C. A. Foster is assistant stage manager.

Al. Thomas has a big treat for the boys when they reach New Orleans. He says he owns the town.

Attrus Hughes is still writing music for the show.

Charles Pewee, of the Pewees, and Al. Toliver, of the Toliver Trio, after a separation of seven years, have joined hands to put out a big act The act will be known as Pewee-Toliver Company in "A Servant's Holiday," introducing singing, juggling and acrobatic skate dancing. All original ideas.

W. J. D. Snow, of New York, is our trap drummer, and from morning until night New York.

## GALVESTON, TEX.

The Ruby Theater, Galveston, Texas, features the Center Stock Company, and it is the talk of the town. This week it presented "The Escaped Convict, a drama. It is a scream from start to finish.

Mrs. Duson is getting from three to four encores nightly, singing "My Mexican Belle," words and music by Sam Shelton.

Ruth Crosby is getting the hands in singing "Spanish Land," another Spanish song by Sam Shelton.

George Centers is stage manager, and A. L. Ritzler, proprietor.

## BLIND RIVER, ONT.

The Hottest Coon in Dixie Company is now in its sixth week, tuoring Canada. Traveling in its own private car, Marguerite.

The company numbers thirty people, band and orchestra Manager H. Dumas heads the parade in an automobile.

Harry Morgan, comedian, is a success as the Hottest Coon in Dixie.

Miss Alma Diamond Richardson, soubret, is a great favorite.

Irvin Richardson, the boy tenor, is making a big hit singing Will Carrington's latest song, "Sometime in the Past."

Alex. Wheeler, our bandmaster, is proud of his band of fourteen pieces.

Ruth Sprague has a lady's quartet hich is rightly named Four Joy Cupids, including Gertrude Holden, Edith Norman and Viola Harris.

William Juniper and Eith Normadn are a scream in our olio.

Otis Binson as Bum Gardner is rightly named Black Nat Wills.

The company is overjoyed to think that next week's stand will be in the States.

## THEATRICAL DOINGS IN PETERSBURG, VA.

The Idle Hour has at last got busy with a bill so far out of the ordinary that we keep the S. R. O. sign out each night.

Miss Grace Morris, a clever singing and dancing soubret, who has made herself a big favorite with the ePtersburg audiences, is scoring nicely.

Hambone Jones, the vaudeville sensation, is in his sixth week at the Idle Hour Theater, and is going some, featuring that big song hit, "Adopted Child."

The great Houze Trio—Houze, Stamper and Houze, Bert, George and Carrie—are in their third week at the Idle Hour Theater, and are still have the people scrambling at the ticket office nightly.

We can look for another fashion plate in the profession in George Samper as a straight man. He is the "candy." He carries a first-class wardrobe and dresses nicely on and off the stage.

Our Prof. Clarence Parsons is there with the goods.

Mr. Sykes, our manager, is well pleased with the way things are going.

## PASSING SHOW AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

### By W. P. Bayless.

### Howard Theater.

Howard Theatre opened Monday night, October 23d, with a capacity audience. The bill consisted of 14 numbers. It was a very well balanced bill and each number received a stamp of hearty approval.

A native colored man of Washington handling a huge proposition like the management of the Howard Theatre upon his own resources for a period of ten years is an unusual spectacle which was realized on Monday night when the opening performance began as a new era for the Howard Theatre.

For a time this theatre met with success but the failure to secure the class of plays demanded by the patrons caused a falling off in attendance to such a degree that it was apparent to the management that it would be unprofitable to continue its existence under the same auspices. New managers were tried, but the theatre did not show the signs of awakening necessary to a profitable existence.

The proprietors now sought for a colored man capable of taking over the property. Mr. Thomas, who had shown an adaptability to win success in this line approached. The terms proposed were such that it did not seem profitable to take hold but after much argument between the parties an agreement was made whereby Mr. Thomas became the lessee for a term of ten years with an option of buying. The terms agreed upon are rather stupendous for a young man under thirty years to attempt, many thousands of dollars being involved. While the undertaking seems rather daring a review of the undertakings of this young man warrants every confidence in his ability to make good in his present venture.

### Early Life.

Mr. Thomas was born in Washington and except for a few years away at school, has always livede here. Sixteen years ago his father, Sylvester T. Thomas, met with an accident which resulted in his death. He left a widow with five sons and two daughters all but one of whom were dependent upon their mother. Thomas was taken from school here and sent to a trade school in Rock Castle, Va., where in connection with his other studies he took up the study of music for which he had a natural aptitude. Upon his return he, with his brother, Sylvester, organized an orchestra. This organization met with success from the start. As soon as the other brothers were old enough they, too, were taken in the orchestra and soon they had an organization with seven members, five of whom were brothers. In connection with his music he canvassed for various firms and engaged in other work always dreaming and planning for the future with the management of a theatre as the basis of his dreams. Before there was a moving picture theatre in Washington this energetic young man had entered into negotiations with a Chicago firm with a view of obtaining films and accessores for a moving picture show. He might have been a premier in this line of amusement in Washington had he not feared that action by Congress would have made the undertaking hazardous.

Later he decided to take a chance and attempted to obtain the Red Moon situated on 14th and T St. N, but upon investigation decided that he could not make this a paying proposition. His business insight proved correct as the property was taken by another and was a failure. He looked over another property in the northwest section of the city but again decided against it. He then turned his attention to the southwest section of the city where there was a large colored population with little or no attractions in this line. He opened negotiations with Mr. Howard, the fire extinguisher dealer, with a view of having a theatre built but before these negotiations were completed he stumbled on a theatre already built. This theatre was the only one in the southwest section run for the exclusive patronage of colored people. A deal for this property was concluded in ten days. The theatre was in bad condition, the heating apparatus being in such a condition that more steam escaped through the smokestack than went into the heating apparatus. As it was out of the question to install a new heating plant now Mr. Thomas, who by the way is a licensed engineer, sought to bolster up his boiler by putting bran in the boiler, which on swelling stopped the leaks, and the patrons for the first time were able to sit through the paly in comfort.

Having made a success of this venture he looked around for another property. He attempted to secure the Old Howard Theatre on You St., which was built by a white amusement company, who after looking into the possibilities of making the proposition go sold it to a colored amusement company.

This company, which had another theatre running found the going too hard with this additional burden and although Mr. Thomas tried to get possession direct from the company he was unable to do so but later bought the property at auction, through an agent. This theatre now the Minnehaha, has proved to be one of the greatest drawing houses in the city and nightly crowds stand on the sidewalk waiting admission. Through rare judgment in catering tothe taste of his patrons by securing all that is best in this line of amusement he has not experienced a week where the house has not been a drawing card.

And yet the ambition of this dreamer was not realized. When the foundation for the New Howard was being dug, he made several unsuccessful trips to Baltimore to interview the prospective owners with a view to securing the treatre when completed. But with a view of some day securing the coveted prize he dreamed and worked and wiated.

And now the dream is realized for he has assumed the lease and management of the largest theatre in the country operated by a colored man and will open on the 23d of the month with an entertainment worthy of the occasion.

He has been styled the colored Belasco of Washington and yet with all bold attempts and successes he remains the modest young man, who from his appearance and demeanor no one would take for the successful dreamer he has proven himself to be.

The Washington people are proud of this native son and predict for him the greatest success.

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On the bill at the Minnehaha last week were: Kelly and Kelly, and The Brittons. The bill was a good one and was well applauded. Mr. Clarence G. Wilson, recently of the Ford Dabney orchestra, is playing at the Minnehaha until th Howard opens and then he will play there.

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Henson and Dixon were on the bill at the Dabney theatre last week and they went fine. They played a return engagement.

Knash and Knash were on the bill at the Chelsea last week.

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Moore and Jenkins were on the bill at the Blue Mouse. They received considerable applause.

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Brown and Gaines played at the Star Theatre last week. They have been in the city for several weeks and their popularity does not seem to wane.

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Mr. Louis A. Mitchell is back on the boards again. He is no longer managing the Chelsea Theatre.

## NEWS FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—The Negroes of Vancouver have organized a Negro Christion Alliance with much success. They celebrated their first anniversary on Sunday, October 22, at which an annual address was delivered by the president, Milton P. Fuller, formerly of Central Texas College, Waco, Texas. This issues forth from a desire to come together for their own protection. More and more the colored people are coming into Vancouver; and they need lodges, churches, etc., of their own. They intend to get these requisites of happiness. . . Mr. Percival Spotts, of Victoria, B. C., and Miss Luella Hall, of Vancouver, were united by the holy bonds of matrimony on Tuesday evening, October 24, Rev. Ashley Hall officiating. A wedding supper was served at the home of the bride. Owing to the illness of the bride's mother, the event was private. The Freeman joints the young couple's friends in congratulations and best wishes for their success.

## CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

Special to The Freeman.

A. M. E. conference met Wednesday, October 18, 1911. We note with great delight that the people of Chattanooga most pleasantly entertained the members and visitors of the conference, which was held in the Warren A. M. E. Church, of which Rev. I. H. Welch, D. D., is pastor. Bishop H. B. Parks, D. D., of Chicago, Ill., presided with much dignity. The representatives are proud of the fact that they made the best reports, showing increases over the previous years, especially in the dollar claims. Much will have to be done before this east Tennessee can be reached. The Ladies' Home and Foreign Missionary Society presented the best financial report, showing great results in all the work undertaken. In all sections of the district will be held the Ladies' A. M. E. convention, and all eyes will be centered upon them, to learn which one will present the best report at the next annual session. The East Tennessee A. M. E. conference as pwaid a high tribute of praise by Bishop H. B. Parks, D. D., as being the greatest honor to the preachers, who, for four years, have maintained to that high standard of spiritual advisors. As not in these years to have had a judiciary committee to adjust the moral status of the ministry, in this your standing is a great benefit to the connection of hich you proudly claim to be a part. Let not the banner trail in the dust. Hold it high, then. We were much disappointed in our great expectations, to learn that our beloved Rev. Welch has to leave this generous people of our historic city, who we all love with a degree of appreciation which cannot be expressed in words without tears. He is a whole-souled preacher. Long may he live to come to us again.

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## FEELS REASONABLY PROUD.

**Editor Smith, of the Cleveland Gazette, feels reasonably proud over his** selection as a candidate to go before the people of Ohio for indorsement as one of the delegates to the State constitutional convention, which meets next year.

Mr. Smith is reasonably proud because the honor was thrust on him, and which was hedged in by conditions that plainly pointed the value or the significance of the selection. The editor of the Gazette sets out at length the conditions:

"Next year's State constitutional convention required the signatures of about 1,600 voters on petitions (provided by the various boards of elections throughout Ohio), which had to be filed with these boards before midnight, Saturday, October 7. Five of the signers of each petition had to make oath or affirm before a notary public the correctness and genuineness of their petition's signatures. Securing over 2,000 such signatures was a tremendous undertaking under the circumstances. This is what about fifty of our people of Cleveland did voluntarily and with great enthusiasm, for the writer, in about two and one-half weeks, taking the initiative themselves, cheered on by about all of our people of this city and hundreds of white friends. We did not urge or even ask them to do it. As a matter of fact, we did not think they could or would do it. It was an agreeable surprise and a signal honor that seldom falls to any man's lot, and we thoroughly appreciate and thank our people, and the white friends of this community who helped them, for it."

We congratulate Mr. Smith in the matter of his selection. He has been active and aggressive for years in the political affairs of his State. He has been a member of the legislature, and in various other ways the citizens of Ohio have shown him recognition. He has not always been a regular, from a Republican standpoint, but he has always been formidable, thus proving a quantity that could not very well be left out of political calculations.

Doubtless the Negroes of the country will regard the selection of Mr. Smith a sa candidate before his State, as a member of the all-important body of constitution makers, as of racial significance, even should he fail in the final selection. In the interest of Negroes' participation in the fundamentals of our government, our various State governments, or government of whatsoever description, we hope hfm success. We have in mind an enlightened participation, not harking back to the days when the race was not prepared to help formulate plans of government. Mr. Smith has been chosen in keeping with the required status of men of public affairs, his color being merely an incident. And he is reasonably proud.

The National Negro Bankers Association, which is affiliated with the National Negro Business League, approved a bank guaranty plan for fifty-four Negro banks in the South, whereby it is proposed to protect the depositors of the banks to correct any evil which may develop in the future.

The plan adopted is to raise a guaranty fund of $25,000 at the start, that sum to be deposited in the Penny Savings Bank in Birmingham, Alabama, for the use of a governing board to be selected by a ballot of the various banks. The board will have the authority to select an inspector who will be empowered to make examinations of all banks whenever it is de emed expedient.

The fund will be protected by an indemnity bond sufficient to protect banks entering into the agreement.

The fund for the guaranty will be raised through subscription of $500 by each signatory bank approving the plan.

## WHAT FRA ELBERT THINKS OF ONE COLORED MAN.

"At Athens, Ohio, is a hotel kept by a landlord who does not call, in a social way, on his guests. This landlord is a colored man and his name is Berry, and the traveling boys call his place "The Black-berry." And they make it a point to go there and stay as long as business will allow.

"The Berry House is one of the best hotels I ever saw and it is the only hotel in the town, for Berry has set a pace which no competitor is able to follow and the service is faultless; the rooms immaculate; the cooking awork of art. Berry is his own chef,he loves his work and so gives to it an individuality. Mrs. Berry is the houskeeper, and her attention to details proves that genius is sometimes feminine.

For instance, in every room are writing paper, a calendar, a pin cushion, needles and thread, a whisk broom, a comb and brush, and a bottle of violet water in the bath rooms. You might expect the souvenir hunter to steal Berry to a stand-still, but she doesn't.

"A hotel is known by the soap it fresh cake of soap is in your room when you enter and every repuisite there that adds to yourcomfort, and yet she is never in evidence. A white man is at the desk, but all the other help are colored. Knowing that an Afro-American manages the place you anticipate coons loafing in the office, but not a lazy, sassy nigger do you find, nor a lousy, greasy, tobacco chewing white loafer, either. The colored boys in the office are in uniform, and they do their work with alertness, nimbleness and precision.

"All of thelinen is made to order and the dishes too, and marked 'Berry.' In the writing room are a dictionary, an atlas and an encyclopedia. No tips are allowed in the Berry House on penalty. They tell of one man who gave the landlord a quarter, mistaking him for a porter. The amount was duly credited on the man's bill.

"The rule is now well understood. Berry started with a hole-in-the-wall, now he owns the block. He is worth easily a hundred thousand dollars and is regarded by his townspeople as a highly honorable, competant and intelligent man.

## LOST RELATIVES.

L. Winn in state prison, Michigan City, Ind., desires to know of his relatives whom he knew of last at Paris, Henry county, Tenn., nine years ago. His father George, and brothers, Ed, Will and Robert. They moved to Hollow Rock, Pulaski county, where they were employed as section hands. Any information will be gladly received. Address Box 41, Michigan City, Ind.

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## WISH TO LOCATE FRIENDS.

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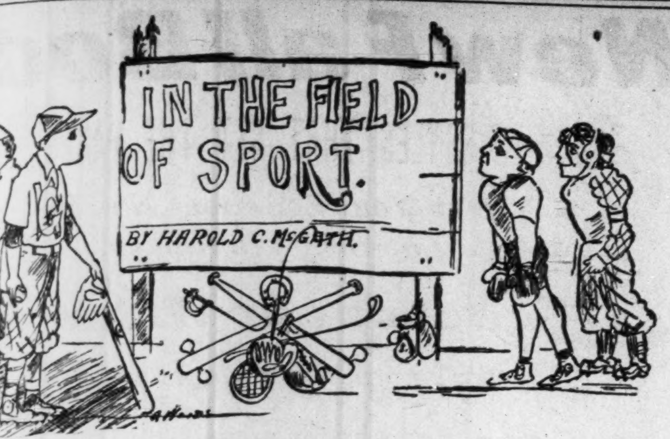
IN THE FIELD OF SPORT.
BY HAROLD C. McGRATH.

## SPORTING NEWS.

LONDON.—John Arthur Johnson, the colored heavyweight fighter, was sued yesterday by a woman who rented him a flat in Paddington. She testified that the pugilist, because of his unusual strength, smashed a large quantity of dishes and furniture. Johnson did not appear in court, and was ordered to pay $17 damages.

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NEW YORK.—Carl Morris, Oklahoma heavyweight, whose championship hopes were dashed by Fireman Jim Flynn, has been matched for a fight here on November 13 with Jack Geyer, the Denver heavyweight. Morris has been working desperately since he recovered from his last fight with Flynn. Frank Erne and others have been tutoring him, and he is said to have improved 50 per cent.

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LOS ANGELES, Cal.—An estate valued at $99,500 will be distributed in unequal shares among ten heirs of Mrs. Rebecca Jeffries, who died on September 5 last, and whose will has been filed for probate. Among the residuary legatees is James J. Jeffries, formerly world's champion pugilist and son of the dead woman, who is made a beneficiary with other children, in consideration that they care for and support their father in his declining years. A provision specifies that any attempt to break the will shall result in disinheritance.

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AUSTRALIA.— At the reception to Sam McVey, Billy McClain, who is acting as manager for the colored pugilist, recalled his visit to Australia 12 years ago, and referred to the death of Peter Jackson. "I was having a chat with Charlie Campbell when the sad news of his death reached us," he said, "and althought we were both over 21, it brought the tears to our eyes. 'What's to be done?' somebody asked. 'A monument to keep green the memory of good old Peter,' was suggested. 'Then let my subscription be the first,' said Charlie Campbell, who forthwith put his money down. His was the first in, and I am glad and proud to be able to say mine was the second." There was a human touch in Billy's relation of the incident, and the large audience rose and cheered him.

## JOE WALCOTT BEATS BOB LEE.

BOSTON.—Joe Walcott, the old-time colored fighter, the other night showed that although classed as a "has-been," there are some of the tall heavies whom he can still topple over as in the days of old. Bob Lee, another colored boxer, was his opponent, and he stood head and shoulders over Walcott.

While Lee had learned some boxing since he was last seen here, he still knows when to stop when he has enough. He caught Joe on the face with a few lefts, but when Walcott began sending his left to the stomach and the right to the ribs, Lee would get into a clinch as quickly as possible. It was amusing to see him hanging on.

In the second round Walcott took more chances with his bad hands, and twice he swung the left over onto Lee's jaw and made him wobble a bit, as many a boxer has before from the same punch.

The round was about half through when Walcott again sent the left to the jaw, and, following quickly with the right, he caught Lee on the jaw, and the latter went sprawling to the floor. He staid there till he heard the referee count 10, then he sat up and looked about, wondering if it was all over. Walcott was declared the winner.

In the opening bout Billy Shea was given the decision over Tommy O'Connor on a foul in the second round. Tommy Fanagan, of Cambridge, and Kid Lee, of Chelsea, boxed six rounds, and Flanagan was given the decision.

## SAM M'VEA ARRIVES IN SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA.

### A Modest Fighter—Johnson's Methods Discussed—"Hopes to Make Good."

Possesing a sturdy frame, which gives the impression of unusual strength, and standing only about 5 ft. 1 in.0 high, Sam McVea, the colored heavyweight, who has been the idol of ariPs, stepped on to the Central Railway Station this morning, the most admired of all the passengers who came through from the South on the Melbourne express. Unlike other American pugilists—McVea is an American, although he has not seen his country for many years—who have visited this city, he speaks in a modest, low-pitched voice, being entirely free from bluster and side. He gives the impression of being a real good fellow, and should become popular with Australian sporting crowds.

McVea traveled as far as Melbourne in the Argyllshire, and trained all the way out. He would have come to Sydney by water, only he wanted to have at least a couple of weeks in Sydney to get ready for his fight with Lester, which will take place on September 30.

When interviewed, McVea smiled broadly, and in answer to questions, said this was not his first visit to Australia, as he had been here 12 or 13 years ago as a seaman. As was well known, he was under six months' engagement to Mr. McIntosh.

Regarding his fight with Lester, he admitted that the American was a husky young fellow, who would give a good account of himself. He would fight Johnson on Boxing Day. He (McVea) had fought him three times before, but they were in the days when he had had no experience. Even then he had stood 20 rounds with Johnson.

Johnson was a man whose methods required studying. He was essentially a defensive fighter, who wore a man down, waited for him to come to him. Johnson was a good, clever man whose ways in the ring were calculated to bring his opponent to him.

Johnson liked fighting at close range so that he could prevent his opponent getting on to him. He had a peculiar way of worrying a man until he had him at his mercy, and then he waded in. His methods were well illustrated in the biograph pictures of the Johnson-Jeffries fight.

McVea considered he was as strong as Johnson, but the latter, being taller, was longer in the reach. However, he had studied his fighting closely and considered he knew his best punches. If he managed to avoid these, he would get some of his own in and, at the least, give the champion a hard tussle.

"Can you stand more punishment than Johnson?" he was asked.

"Well, Johnson is a man who has never bumped up against much punishment," he replied. "He takes all the punishment he can on his powerful arms and keeps clear of hurtful punches."

"What do you think of Langford?"

"He is at all times a dangerous hard hitter, and can stand a terrible hiding, but is handicapped by being so small. Undoubtedly he is a good fighter, but not too clever. At the same time, if he was as big as Johnson or myself, neither of us would have a chance against him."

"When I fought Langford," he added, "he kept me moving. I guess there was no cold breeze under my feet during that scrap. I can tell you my feet did not have time to get chilled."

"What is your favorite hit, Sam?"

"A left hook. It is a puzzling blow. They know it is a hook, but it comes off all right, and it is hard to stop."

"Are you looking to beat Johnson?"

"That is a question I hope to make good in Australia."

"What do you think of Burns?"

"He is a good little game fighter, but relies on his head too much. He should have fought me before he fought Johnson, as he had agreed to do so."

Billy McClain, manager for McVea, chipped in and said, 'If Burns had fought McVea, then Johnson would not have been champion. You would have seen McVea boss. Is that not so?"

McVea laughted, and shook his head, "Maybe," he answered.

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## LANGSTON UNIVERSITY.

### Langston, Okla.

The university football team (second tem) played the Guthrie High School on October 21, with a result of 0 to 0. That is the second game to be tied between the two teams.

The university band will furnish the music for the corner stone laying of the colored Masonic Temple at Boley, Okla.

## LAST OF THE NEGRO JOCKEYS.

### Turfdom Separates Itself From These Riders—Most of Them are Already Across the Styx and Others Await Charon's Call.

The death, in impoverished circumstances, of "Soup" Perkins at the Hamilton (Ont.) Jockey club course recently emphasizes the practical extinction of the Negro as a race rider.

Three decades ago the Negro was in his zenith as a jockey. At that time the majority of owners of thoroughbred horses were in the south and the Negro was the natural attendant of the horses. Gradually with the coming of the sport to the north, the Negro jockey lost his acendancy. The white boy became the preferred one, and to-day a Negro rider is as rare on the tracks as is a gray horse.

Of the great Negro jockeys Isaac Murphy was the peer in conduct and in judgment of any white rider. "Louny" Clayton and his brother both were well behaved, well dressed and competent jockeys. Pike Barnes rode himself into the list of immortals by winning the first Futurity with Proctor Knott, beating the great Salvator; Willie Simms achieved success both in this country and in England; then there were "Coley" Stone and Tony Hamilton, "Soup" Perkins, who later made his debut in the east with Henry of Navarre, and Joe Harris, who was the star rider in California in 1907.

### Isaac Murphy Was Dean.

The majority of these riders are dead. The others are poor. Those who are not dead have passed away from the turf. Isaac Dean, the dean and idol of the black race, as he was the pride of all horsemen, died in Louisville practically penniless. He was crushed by the accusation that he was drunk when Tea Tray in the midsummer of 1890 defeated the great Firenze.

He was suspended for 30 days by the stewards of the meeting—a most inadequate sentence if he was intoxicated and an unjust verdict if he had been drugged, as was generally understood. Perhaps the association did not care to have its great new park saddled with what promised to be the gravest scandal on the American turf.

That practically ended the turf career of Murphy. He was tubercular, and in addition developed stomach trouble from his efforts to keep down to weight. This latter ailment was added to his fondness for champagne. It was, he contended, the only liquor he could take that would strengthen without fattening him. He often said champagne bills were equal to all his other living expenses, and he lived well. He spent about $12,000 a year for ten years, for he had a number of camp followers.

### Barnes' Life Ended in Tragedy.

"Pike" Barnes for a time promised to maintain a high place in the jockey ranks, but a fondness for night life dulled his judgment. An accident, too, brought on a timidity that he could not seem to be able to shake off. He was riding in Chicago in a race in which a boy named Abbas fell. "Pike's" horse strode on the boy and literally crushed the life out of him. Barnes' nerve was gone forever after. He rode one or two good races susequently—notably his victory on Tenny in the Brooklyn handicap—but practically his career ended with the accident. It was said he could not be induced to sleep in the night time, sitting up until daylight, then to fall asleep until it would be time for him to go to the races.

Of course, such a life meant ruin. Barnes had the good sense not to dally about the tracks and become a wreck. He took with him what was left of his savings and started a saloon in Chicago. He lasted only half a dozen seasons. None of his race has since attained the eminence he achieved.

Some may question this latter statement and point to Willie Simms, but Simms was a consistent jockey rather than a sensational one. He earned large fees when he rode for Michael F. Dwyer and Richard Croker. But money seemed to flow from him. He had at one time, or it is so reported, a bank account of generous proportions and some land on Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn, but it has gone. The trip which he took to England in the ill-starred Dwyer and Croker invasion of 1895, it was said, was responsible for the bulk of his losses, and it probably was. He said Mr. Dwyer, it was believed, "stood a tap" on Harry Reed in the Stewards' cup when that fast horse was left at the post. Be that as it may, Simms has passed from the saddle and has taken with him nothing of the fortune that was once his.

### Hamilton Earned Thousands.

Tony Hamilton was another of the great black riders. Friends rescued his body from a pauper's grave and gave it decent burial. He must have earned at least $100,000 in ten years. He had no particularly large vices, but he never had the slightest appreciation of the value of money. He was without education, and, except when in the saddle was perhaps the most stupid and uninteresting person that ever passed through the gate of a race course. He could neither read nor write, and it was difficult to understand what he said. No trainer ever was certain Tony understood what was said to him.

He was, however, a natural horseman, alert at the post, a fair judge of pace and a powerful finisher. Most jockeys have a habit of talking to their mounts when on their way to the post, but Hamilton kept up a constant kind of gibber that was always a source of amusement. Most of the money he earned he gave away. He had a sort of mushroom growth, springing in a short time from an undersized exercise boy with a cot in a stall to where he could earn hundreds of dollars in a day. Perhaps it it little wonder, under the circumstances, that he didn't appreciate money's value. Champagne and diamonds were his weaknesses. The $1,000 diamond that he would wear to-day would be the property of his valet or his favorite tomorrow. A "bank roll" to him was merely a bank rool. It might be of $1 notes or $50 or $100 notes. It was good just for so long as it lasted.

If it were of $1 notes it probably lasted him as long as would one composed entirely of $100 notes.

It was pathetic at times to see the way in which the black boy was parting with his money, but he apparently did not realize it and it was not until his money was all gone and necessity for bread and shelter and medicine pressed him that it came to him how valuable a little saving might have been.—New York Express.

## JACK JOHNSON'S RETIREMENT AND THE "WHITE HOPES."

### By Jack Conway.

Jack Johnson is still telling the law-abiding citizens of the Old World that he is never again going to engage in a championship bout. And the more "Lil Artha" tells them about the plans for a quiet life the less attention they pay to him.

In this country, Jack Johnson's declaration has caused even less comment than in Europe. There are two reasons for this lack of interest in the saffron-hued mixer. The first is that the Galveston black has made himself obnoxious to both the members of the white and black races as a result of the way he has conducted himself since he defeated poor Jim Jeffries at Reno. The second is because there isn't a white fighter in sight to take up Johnson's burdens.

If Johnson sticks to his original plan of retiring, which is mighty doubtful, the best men in sight are Sam Langford and Joe Jeannette. Both of these ebeony mixers outclass all of the white heavyweights by a couple of city blocks. Of the two Langford appears to be the better.

Langford has participated in almost 200 bouts, habitually conceding weight the past five years. Sam has fought every big heavyweight that would agree to meet him, and he has yet to be knocked out.

### Johnson Too Independent to Suit White People.

Unlike Johnson, Sam is quiet and unassuming. He owns an automobile but hasn't it for the purpose of speeding. The Tar Baby purchased the honk wagon with the earnings from his fight with "Philadelphia Jack" O'Brien. His idea in getting a car was to take his wife and family out for short drives.

When in shape Sam weights about 173 pounds. He is short and stocky and has a tremendous chest expansion. Sam is a great hitter and if Johnson keeps out of the ring it looks as though Langford would have matters pretty near all his own way.

Jeannette is a rugged boxer who can assimilate an awful amount of punishment. He is a wonderful battler but not in the same class with Langford.

The present crop of white heavies are a pretty poor lot. Jim Flynn is now recognized as the best white heavyweight in captivity Jim, however, knows that he hasn't got a ghost of a chance against either Langford or Jeannette.

Langford has met Flynn on three different occasions. Sam won the first bout in a fraction of a round, while in the second scrap the odds were about even. Sam came right back and won the rubber by the K. O. route.

Al Kaufman has proven that he is nothing more than a second rater. Kaufman is big and bulky but doesn't know the first thing about self-defense. A clever man like Langford would experience little difficulty in riddling Kaufman to pieces. Al knows as well as anybody else that Langford would be able to trim him and so has tactfully announced that he would never fight a Negro.

Every day we receive reports of promising white "hopes" coming down the pike. But from here it looks as though a Negro would be the heavyweight for many years to come. Johnson, Langford and Jeannette form a trio of mixers which is hard to beat the world over.

## FIGHT AREA TRANSFERRED.

### Sam McVea and Billy McClain Now in Australia—Johnson Expected in December.

### By Billy.

The fight area seemingly has been transferred from Europe to Australia. Some of the big ones are there, others think of going in the very near future. Billy M'Clain, fight promoter, Brussels, Belgium, when at home, has made good his word to take Sam McVea to the land of rabbits and kangaroos, mainly for the purpose of meeting Jack Johnson. However, the fight propaganda has other features in mind also. The advertisement of one reads. Sam McVea, champion of Europe vs. Jack Lester, champion of the British Empire, Arena; the Stadium Saturday, September 30, 1911, at 8:3. Hugh M0cIntosh, director. R. (Snowy) Baker, referee." The stadium is situate at Rushcutter Bay, Sydney, Australia.

The nformation to the office of the Freeman was mailed September 17 from Sydney. The contest according to program was pulled off while the information was in transit. The result as yet is not known.

During a period extending from May, 1903, to the present, McVea has fought 100 battles, including three contests with Johnson of twenty rounds each. Twice the contests went the full number of rounds, the decision going to Johnson after a severe struggle.

Jack Lester, by his recent defeat of Lang, has secured the championship of the British Empire, and thus becomes an aspirant for world's championship honors.

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Billy McClain said that he had nothing interesting to offer in this, his latest batch of information. We think his dope is unusually interesting for those who desire to get a line the fighting business around the globe.

McClain says that he has fixed six matches for McVea, and feels reasonably proud of the fact. "You know," says he, "That he fights Johnson December 25." He, however, inserts this roubtful proviso, "If all is well." That doesn't sound very good. It strikes one that on the morning of December 25, 1911, one Arthur Jack Johnson will be on State street in Chicago, or still hobnobbing with the "big uns" of Europe—perhaps in Paris holding things down while Sam is making history in Australia. Well, they aren't going to stop business over there, even should his "eminence" fail to put in appearance.

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"The Sun" advertising itself in big letters as the only daily paper in Australia, gives considerable space to the coming of the McVea people. It, however, didn't mind having just a trifle bit of fun off of the occasion. A faithful picture of the group is on the front page of that tremendous sheet (what makes Australian papers so big? They make an economist wild), dubbing it the "Black Invasion." Near-by were the usual curiosity seekers anxious to take a peep at the battlers. On reflection one thinks of that good-hearted, patient "Wilber Micawber" of Charles Dickens' fame, who did finally turn something up in the land where the cooks insist on a written contract signed properly, not to be compelled to eat rabbit meat oftener than twice a week. This may be a libel on the rabbits, but at any rate "history" tells us that as things natural ferde, they abound above everything else in that country. Wonder why? But that is no part of this story, as Rudyard Kipling might say.

The group of invaders in the Sun do not make a too sombre picture, for there is one delightful looking French madam, the wife of Sam McVea, who enlivens the artistic appearance of the ensemble. She is the only woman in the bunch, but she looks saucy and capable like so many American women. The label reads: "W. McClain, McVea's manager; Mrs. McVea, Sam McVea, Mr. H. D. McIntosh. Don't know whether the "Mr." to McIntosh was with aforethought or not. You know it is the straws that tell which way the winds blow. A common, homely expression, but how useful some time, they get things said in such polite terms. Above all of these names is this line: "The arrival of Sam McVea this morning." At the very top of the picture is the very dubious insertion, "The Black Invasion." I give it all, so one may have ample authority for drawing conclusions.

The personnel of the group is rather distinguished as a whole and particularly as to individuals. McVea looks like some African king brought to civilization; a great physical build with strictly African features in the accepted sense. He is really so ugly that he is good looking. I mean fascinating. The lovely white woman stands beside him looking good to everybody. Billy McClain has improved in health apparently. He is also in the heavyweight class. When last seen in Indianapolis he reminded one more of a race horse. McIntosh, or Mr. McIntosh, just as you please, is not as tall as either of them. Mrs. McVea is nearly as tall as Billy McClain, and perhaps the same height of McIntosh.

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I said that the group, photographically looked rather distinguished. Judging from the comment, they were really distinguished in appearance. The sun said:

"There was nothing half-hearted about the welcome accorded Sam McVea at Bateman's Hotel this morning, and the demeanor of the big colored European champion made a distinctly favorable impression on the large crowd. Mr. P. J. Minahan, M.L.A., occupied the chair, and included in the gathering were Messrs. Kelly and Miller, Ms.I.A., H. D. McIntosh, Charlie Campbell, Jack Lester, E. Covell, and many other well-known Sydney ring-siders.

"The chairman, in proposing the health of the visitor, said he desired on the part of all present and the sporting section of the people of New South Wales to extend a hearty welcome to Sam McVea, whose reputation had preceded him to our shores. (Applause.) No doubt that as the people of Australia had heard of their guest, it was quite possible that he had heard of Australia, and that being so, he would have no fear as to the treatment which would be accorded him here. (Applause.) Of course, as sportsmen they were going to try and wrest the European championship from him, but if they did so it would be done fairly. If, on the other hand, he went away with added laurels, no one in Australia would begrudge him them. (Applause.)"

It should have been said that the object of the visitors is to take part in the world's champion boxing contest.

Mr. McIntosh, in supporting the toast, said he felt sure Sam McVea, would prove one of the most popular fighters in Australia. "Some people," continued Mr. McIntosh, "don't believe that Sam is an American at all. In Paris they call him 'Monsieur McVea.'" (Laughter.) Continuing Mr. McIntosh said the public could depend on it that McVea would give a good account of himself in any of his contests, and that in every one in which he took part he would fight fair. (Loud applause.)

Mr. Miller and Mr. Kelly, Ms.L.A. also spoke a few words of welcome.

Mr. McVea, in responding, said he was very pleased to take this trip to Australia. "I had heard long years ago," he said, "that Australians were good sports, and from the manner in which I have been treated already I am certain that they are. I have come here to fight anybody, white or colored, but I will not attempt to say what I am going to do beforehand. All I can do, gentlemen, is to assure you that any fight I engage in will be fair and honest. I thank you for your very kind reception." (Continued applause.)

Other gentlement honored were Mr. Covell, Jack Lester, Charlie Campbell, Billy McClain, and Irving Sayles.

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Now back to Billy McClain since he is the Hamlet of this occasion. In other words, there would be nothing doing without him—so let him have his speech: Here it is: "There was over three thousand people to meet us in Sydney and all along the line from Adelaide up to the station where the train stopped"—"them's his own words"—he says that he had to make several speeches a la rear end presumablby, as also did Sam McVea. In speaking of the reception incident, in writing to Elwood C. Knox, manager of the Freeman, he says: "Elwood, I tell you, when I spoke of the last days of old Peter Jackson and how me and some of the men right then in that room looked after him they choked up. They couldn't keep back the tears. They cheered me," says he. And then, too, McClain is not a stranger to Australia. He is known there to his set. He was a minstrel there years ago—he and the well-known Ernest Hogan. They on returning to America conceived the idea of the Smart Set Play Company, basing it in the more serious phase on Honolula of the Hawaian Islands where they touched and on Bowling Green, Ky., the reputed home of Hogan.

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Here following is the wording of the invitation to the reception: The pleasure of your company is requested at a reception to be tendered by Hug D. McIntosh to Sam McVea, champion of Europe, at Bateman's Hotel, 432 George Street, Sydney, Friday, September 15th, 1911, at 11 a. m. The ticket to be presented at the door. W. E. Vincent, press secretary.

The card is 6½ inches by 4 inches, stiff board, fitting well in the coat pocket. It is what the small boy calls a card and a half.

## LOUISIANA, MO.

Special to The Freeman.

Uncle Garnett Woods was found dead out in the country October 25. It was supposed he fell from his wagon and received injuries resulting in a concussion of the brain, which resulted in his death. We extend our sympathies to the bereaved ones....Mr. Wesley Rose and Mrs. Annie Bates, of Elsberry, were quietly married at Judge Armstrong's office October 24. We wish them success....Mrs Eliza Wells is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. C. Dickson, in Burlington, Iowa, this week....Mr. William Goree is organizing the K. of P. lodge in Clarksville and Elsberry this week.

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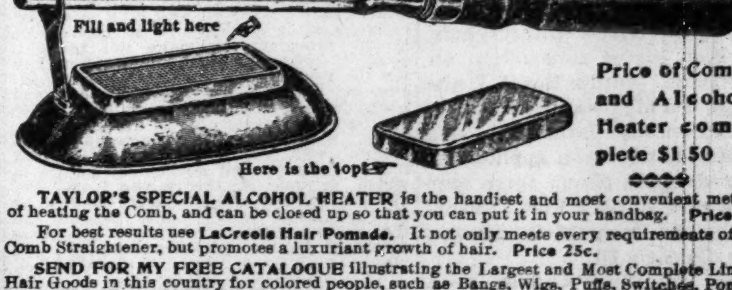

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When writing please mention this paper.

The Ayres Bulletin

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## CITY AND VICINITY.

Mr. Herman Goode is here to remain indefinitely.

Mrs. E. C. Walker is visiting her parents in Mississippi.

Miss Marie Burke, of Chicago, is in the city this week.

Mrs. Susie Vaughn visited the C. M. E. conference last week.

Mrs. James Stafford returned home last week from Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. William Craig is confined to her home this week in Toledo street.

Mrs. Julia Randolph, of Cordon, Ky., is visiting relatives in Yandes street.

Mesdames Alice Ray and Anna Hicks, of Cincinnati, visited here last Sunday.

Little Miss Gladys Brown is improving nicely from a recent attack of diptheria.

Mr. Jake Cowan, in Senate avenue, entertained twelve guests at a stag party this week.

The G. A. H. Club will meet with Mrs. Hattie Brewer in Paca street next Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bennett left Friday morning fo ran extended trip South for the winter.

Mrs. S. W. Grundy, who has been very ill at her home in Senate avenue, is improving.

Mrs. Bessie Wills, in North West street, has been somewhat indisposed for several days.

Mrs. James Harris, in Senate avenue, entertained a few friends at whist on Wednesday evening.

Miss Clara Gibson, of Dayton, Ohio, is visiting Miss Viola Law, in Douglas street, for two weeks.

Miss Mattie Cooper returned from Cairo, Ill., this week, where she has been visiting several weeks.

Dr. and Mrs. E. S. Myller, of Chicago, made a flying trip to this city this week on business. They motored.

Mrs. Beulah Hunter, in Martindale avenue, was hostess to an interesting card party Friday afternoon.

Miss Lizzie Hart, the mocking bird vocalist of Chicago, is filling an engagement at the Crown Garden this week.

Mrs. George Robinson returned to her home in Louisville, Ky., Tuesday morning. She attended the funeral of an aunt here last week.

Mrs. Hilliard Lewis and children left Saturday for Los Angeles, Cal., to spend the winter. Mr. Lewis will join his family about January 1.

Mr. Roscoe Lampkins, a popular florist, of Hamilton, Ohio, spent this week with a large number of friends, who were more than pleased to see him.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Scott, in North West street, entertained at dinner on Wednesday evening, in honor of Mr. Roscoe Lampkins, of Hamilton, Ohio.

Mt. eBthel Lodge, American Dove of Protection No. 4, will hold their regular meeting Monday evening at Pythian Hall, corner Senate avenue and Walnut street.

The Young Ladies Club was the guest o Miss Veola Craigin, North California street, Thursday evening. A four-course dinner was sehved. Music and dancing were the features.

The White Rose and Blue Ribbon Social Club will meet with Mrs. Ellen Jones in Martindale avenue, next Thursday afternoon. All members are requested to be present.

The Apostolic Faith Assembly at Senate avenue and 11th street will hold a ten days Penitostal convention beginning Sunday, November 5. G. T. Haywood, pastor. Everbody invited.

Miss Myrtle Mae Williams, in North Senate avenue, entertained an after-theater party Hallowe'en night. The colors corresponded with the celebration. A sumptuous repast was enjoyed by those present. Among the invited guests were the Misses Clara and Anna Bradie, Grace Clarke; Jessie Thomas, of Logansport, Ind.; Messrs. John Clark, Walter Hodge, Harry Fields and Leroy Ferguson, of Terre Haute, Ind. Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor acted as chaperones.

Mrs. Ethel Howard, in West New York street, entertained in honor of Miss Lizzie Hart Thursday evening. An after theater luncheon in five cources was tastefully served. The invited guests present were Mesdames Glenna Abel, Mattie Parks, Misses Carrie Coleman, Hattie Carter, Mrs. Mabel Tucker, of The Freeman, Miss Pynkie Corley, Messrs. John Hayden, Lee Tyler, Herman Crosby, James Young, Lloyd Stewart, Earl Walker. A jolly good time was had by all.

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Two years ago I had fever which took out all my hair, I used your Pomade and now have a nice head of hair, long and thick. I owe it to your Pomade, writes Mrs. L. Garrett, 3619 Dearborn St. Chicago, Ill.

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## FLANNER GUILD.

The ladies board of managers will hold their meeting Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, instead of in the evening, by order of the president, Mrs. Laura Brooks.

## BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH.

Bethel Church held its first quarterly meeting of the year last Sunday. In the morning Rev. Charles Hunter, the presiding elder, preached an able and acceptable sermon. In the afternoon Rev. W. I. Rowan, pastor of Jones Tabernacle, preached the sacramental sermon to a large and appreciative congregation. At night Dr. C. R. Atkins delivered an address, "Conserving the Health of the Community." Mr. Clarence Hicks rendered a pleasing solo, which ended a quarterly meeting that will long be remembered. Six persons were received into the church, and two baptized. The collections were the largest in many a month.

Tomorrow morning the pastor will preach. In the evening Lawyer Brokenborr will deliver an address, and Mrs. Lena Kirk Porter will render a solo. All are cordially invited.

## JONES TABERNACLE.

### Sunday, November 5, 1911.

Communion Sunday. 1 a. m., and preaching by the pastor. Theme, "The Parable of the Mustard Seed and the Leaven."

The services at night will be spiritual, as usual.

The V. C. E. will have their consecration meeting at 6:30 to 7:30 p. m.

The Rev. Mr. Campbell, of Evansville, Ind., will conduct a series of services at Jones Tabernacle, beginning Monday night, November 6. The members and public are invited and urged to be present at each of these services.

## $4,458.66 IS NEEDED.
## PROGRESS OF CAMPAIGN.

Wednesday night's report from the various Y. M. C. A. canvassing teams showed a total of $95,541.44, leaving the small remainder of $4,458.66 yet to be subscribed. This amount will be forthcoming before the week is ended.

A subscription of $10 from a Negro janitor who is earning $9.25 a week and the receipt of a Canadian $1 bill from a poor Negro minister of Toronto, Can., featured the report of the Colored Y. M. C. A. workers, who announced $749.64 in subscriptions at their meeting last night. The grand total was $95,541.44 at the close of the ninth day of the campaign for a $100,000 building fund.

The standing of the canvassing teams Wednesday evening was as follows:

CENTRAL Y. M. C. A.

| Captains. | Reported yesterday. | Total to date. |
|---|---|---|
| H. C. Atkins | $50.00 | $2,377.00 |
| H. M. Cochane | 30.00 | 2,167.00 |
| G. L. Denny | 110.00 | 858.00 |
| S. O. Dungan | 250.00 | 2,143.00 |
| J. F. Habbe | 45.00 | 1,221.00 |
| Fred Hoke | 205.00 | 2,599.50 |
| J. W. Lilly | 382.00 | 4,195.00 |
| Frank McAllister | 35.00 | 1,033.50 |
| J. M. Ogden | 23.00 | 2,640.75 |
| T. L. Scott | 36.00 | 799.00 |
| George M. Spiegel | ..... | 750.65 |
| Ross H. Wallace | 100.00 | 750.65 |
| Totals | $1,266.00 | $21,212.40 |

COLORED Y. M. C. A.

| Captains. | Reported last night. | Total to date. |
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| W. A. Kesey | $44.50 | $1,801.50 |
| Dr. S. A. Furniss | 25.00 | 823.10 |
| Dr. W. E. Brown | 25.35 | 876.10 |
| A. A. Taylor | ..... | 160.00 |
| Dr. J. H. Ward | 30.35 | 2,114.80 |
| Robert Kirk | 10.75 | 472.25 |
| R. L. Brokenburr | 67.00 | 1,488.80 |
| J. W. Hodge | 15.05 | 519.15 |
| Edward Gaillard | 41.50 | 708.33 |
| A. D. Johnson | 1.00 | 239.30 |
| J. W. Howard | 56.00 | 441.30 |
| H. L. Sanders | ..... | 554.95 |
| James L. Shelton | 32.64 | 399.42 |
| W. R. Valentine | 36.50 | 1,293.41 |
| F. B. Ransom | 10.00 | 1,173.77 |
| Charles H. Cook | ..... | 33.00 |
| Ministerial team (Rev. H. L. Herod) | 9.00 | 479.00 |
| Colored citizens' committee (Geo. L. Knox) | 345.00 | 4,592.75 |
| Totals | $749.64 | $18,170.34 |

### Urge Supreme Effort.

Inasmuch as the reports Thursday night will mark the close of the campaign, the managers at two headquarters urged their workers to make supreme efforts that the reports may be adequate. Besides the last call for work by the canvassers, John F. Wild, general chairman of teams, and John N. Carey, president of the Y. M. C. A., are asking that every citizen who has not already contributed, send or telephone his subscription to the central association.

To give the central Y. M. C. A. workers the entire day to canvass, the last meeting of team workers was set for 6:15 o'clock Thursday night. After their reports are announced the meeting will adjourn and many of the workers will attend the colored men's meeting at 7:30 o'clock at their headquarters, 443 Indiana avenue, where the final report will be made and the result of the ten-day campaign announced.

The colored workers are making special plans for the meeting, which promises to be the biggest and most enthusiastic gathering during the campaign.

## A NEW COLORED HOTEL PROPOSED.

### Investment to be Approximately $35,000—Option Already Secured on Two Desirable Locations—Hostelry to Be Modern in Every Detail.

The much-talked-of hotel for colored people in the city of Indianapolis is nearer an assured fact as we go to press than any time heretofore, judging from the evidence that has been produced in the last few days, showing just what progress has been made toward a final consumamtion of the scheme. All visionary schemes such as companies and corporations have been thrown in the discard after a thorough and sincere threshing out and finally declared impracticable. The realization of the proposition from the first necessarily depended upon the initiative of an experienced hand. Such a man has come to the front in the person of Mr. James Geraghty, Jr., the present owner of the Princeton Hotel, on South Illinois street. Mr. Geraghty's experience is backed up by a substantial purse, the thing of all things most desirable in an enterprise of this kind, without which all talk and dreaming must eventually go up in smoke.

The hotel is planned to contain from fifty to sixty rooms, with hot and cold water, each to be furnished with every modern convenience. The building is to be three stories high, with six baths and showers on each floor. It is the purpose of the management to pay strict attention to the establishment of the clientele from the very start, and only persons of general acceptability will be catered to as guests. Of course, this principle can be observed only so far as immediate environment and circumstances will permit, and the effort along this line will be more directly aimed at the immoral classes who might seek to transform the hotel into one of those legalized houses of shame.

The dining room service will be of the table d'hote character, and will be served at reasonable prices. It is the object of the proprietor to make the house a home of congenial surroundings, not only for the fastly increasing cosmopolitan elements, but for the hundreds of local bachelor-porters, janitors, bellboys and railroad porters who make the city their home and who have been perpetually confronted with the perplexing problem of finding suitable and convenient places in which to quarter themselves. The advance heralding of the assured success of the new hotel was joyfully received by the colored citizens, who are anxiously awaiting further developments of the plans.

## THE FREEMAN.

**Can be found each week at the Northern Star Dining Room, Jamison and Jamison, proprietors, 78 E. Long street, Columbus,**

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# AT KENTUCKY'S CAPITAL.

### Prof. Jackson Delivers Address at Odd Fellows' Hall—School of Music Opened—General and Social Happenings.

By Hardin Tolbert.

425 Washington Street, Old Phone 654.

FRANKFORT, Ky.—(Special.)—Prof. John H. Jackson addressed a large and enthusiastic audience at the Odd Fellows Hall, Wednesday night, November 1. He spoke on the theme of "Clean Government." There were many of the prominent white citizens present to hear this eloquent orator. Prof. Jackson will tour the State, delivering lectures. He is not receiving any salary from any political party, but is one of those educators who has his people at heart, and is wililng to sacrifice some of his time and money for the benefit of the boys and girls of this old Blue Grass State, with which he has been in contact and has known so long. Prof. Jackson is a graduate of Berea College. He was chosen as the first president of the Normal Institute. He received the proud distinction of being the first colored man to be elected as a delegate at large to the National Republican convention at Chicago, from this State. During his administration at this Institute he was elected as president of the Lincoln Institute, Jefferson City, Mo., which position he accepted. After resigning from Lincoln Institute he was elected deputy sheriff in Colorado, and during his administration in Colorado was called back to the Normal Institute at Frankfort for the second time as president, and erected two buildings at a cost of $75,000. Prof. Jackson is the author of the "History of Education," which was used in the Normal Institute, and is now being used at one of the A. M. E. schools. He is now located at Mound Bayou, Miss., and is writing the history of the founder of that city.

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Miss Marietta P. Madison, a talented musician, has opened a music studio at her residence, 105 Logan street; Old Phone 506. Miss Madison is a graduate of the Clinton Street High School and Normal Institute, and specialized in music at Ecktine Norton Institute, and has been for years a student of Mrs. Dasie Saffell, in music, who is a graduate of Fisk University. Miss Madison is a teacher in the Shelbyville High School, and arrives here every Friday afternoon and begins her class, and during her rapid progress she never forgets her church and the duty to her God. Prosperity makes no change in this young lady. She is always trying to do something for the betterment of her people. Miss Madison's life in this city, where she was born, is an example to the rising generation of young boys and girls.

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Normal Institute played the Georgetown High School Friday, October 27, at Glenwood Park. Over 500 students and citizens attended the football game. Normal science was so great that the Georgetown team thought there was some electricity in the football, drawn by a chimerical magnetic power by the students. Georgetown thought the ball was lost when it was before their eyes. When the students began to sing the yells, Georgetown thought there was a grand opera. The Normal Institute had a landslide with any of the minor football teams, like State University, Louisville High School and Russell High School.

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Miss Boyd, of Covington, Ky., spent a few days in the city on business.

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Mrs. Lucy Owen, who has been very ill from the effects of the fire next door at Mrs. Mary Twyman's and Mr. Ruch Monque, is able to be up.

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Mr. Emanuel R. Martin left for Rockville, Va., to attend the St. Emma College, and will enter the agriculture department.

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The young girls of this city have organized a Blue Grass Social Club. Miss Nellie Russell is president.

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Mr. Allen Brown, of Clintonville, Ky., who has been in the city for a few months, left for his home.

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The Normal Institute celbrated Arbor Day. A program was rendered in the chapel on that morning and trees were planted on the campus.

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Miss Kittie Chile gave a reception at the residence of her mother, on Longlane avenue. Prof. Redman's Macca Orchestra furnished the music, with Messrs. R. C. Brown, trap drummer; G. W. Redman, cornetist; W. Shelton, pianist. The house was beautifully decorated with flowers. Prof. Redman sang a solo, "That Ever Loving Southern Tune." The guests included Messrs. J. T. Shelton, Robert Wood, W. Johnson and Charles Juniper, Mrs. Lula Bush, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Chile, Miss Cordelia Lee and Master William Chile. The menu served consisted of oyster soup, butter, cheese and pickles, ice cream and cake.

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Prof. Redman's Macca Orchestra will make the following places: Frankfort, October 31; Danville, November 1; Shelbyville, November 2.

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The Silver Tongue Quartette is composed of some of the best voices in the central part of Kentucky, young men who have sacrificed some of their time to this great art of singing. The members of the quartette are Messrs. J. B. McCann, first tenor; J. L. Henry, second tenor; J. E. Hall, baritone, and S. D. Henry, bass. As to the singing of the melodious voices of this quartette one theatrical critic said: "I have traveled all through the South, and I have heard many colored quartettes, but of them all this is the first one that I have heard that could get the real expression out of the notes." This quartette is preparing to make a tour. Their favorite songs are "I Make a Ring Around You Rosy," "Down by the Old Mill Stream" and "Let Me Call You Sweetheart." These young men have filled many prominent engagements and are members of the Capital City Social Club, which club will stage "Tobasco Land" in a few weeks with the assistance of these superior voices.

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Mr. George Martin spent a few days in Louisville and Shelbyville, on business.

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Mr. William D. Wall, of Spring Station, was in the city on business.

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Mrs. Josephine McCone has opened a first-class cafe at Dock Morris' old stand on Washington.

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Mr. Walter O. Creal, of Old Crow, was in the city, the guest of Miss Leora Graves.

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Mrs. John H. Handy, who was hurt in Millesville, is improving.

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Miss Sadie Parrent has a guest from Georgetown for a few days.

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Mrs. Cole is improving from a hard spell of sickness.

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Miss Marie Henry has company from Indianapolis for a few weeks.

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Misses Lillian Ellis, Sadie Parrent and Marie Henry visited Versailles, Hallowe'en night.

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Misses Semmes and Juniper left this city and formed an auto party with Messrs. J. H. Johnson and Buckner, of Paris, Ky., and Mr. and Mrs. Crittenden, of Lexington, and had a pleasant ride to Paris, where Mr. Johnson and sister served a delightful lunch in their honor, consisting of oysters, chicken salad, peas and mushrooms, beaten biscuits, cream cake, hot coffee and salted almonds.

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Mrs. Martha J. Green, on Second street, is a little better after a hard spell of fever.

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All those desiring homes during the State Federation of Women in this city should address Mrs. Minnie Jackson, 211 Murry street.

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Mrs. Jennie V. Tucker, of Indianapolis, arrived in the city, to be the guest of Mrs. Martha Dillon.

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Miss Nora Maderson is very ill with la grippe at her residence.

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Prof. Kirk Smith and Rev. James Bond, from the Lincoln Institute, at Shelbyville, are in the city, collecting funds for this institute.

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Miss Dora Wheeler, after spending a pleasant visit with Miss Annie Ceara, at Old Crow, has returned home.

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Mr. Harvey Jackson and wife, of Versailles, were in the city, to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Edward.

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Miss Cassie Canada, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Canada, has been ill for a few days.

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Mrs. L. and M. Bush had a pleasant visit with their mother, Mrs. Thompson.

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Mr. Church Smith, of Williamton, O., arrived in the city, to be the guest of Mr. James Brown.

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Mrs. George Saffell, of Shelbyville, will address the Women's Club at Mrs. T. L. Brooke's.

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Mr. Henry Roberson gave a 'possum supper Monday night at the beautiful residence of Mrs. Lou Russell, in Catfish avenue. Twenty-five couples were present. The menu served consisted of 'possum and sweet potatoes, corn bread, turkey, six months old pig baked with an apple in its mouth, salmon and egg salad, rabbit, celery, beaten biscuit, butter, cheese, bacon fried hard, ten gallons of six-year-old wine. Mr. E. D. Washington carved the meat and the guests were all happy! happy!! happy!!!

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The City Federation Club will meet at Miss Martha Williams', Saturday, November 5.

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Misses Verletta Batty and Mary Linsey spent a few days in Louisville, visiting friends.

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Mr. W. M. Pitman and Miss Mary Richie were united in marriage by Rev. J. W. Gordon, Saturday night.

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Misses Catharine Johnson and Mary T. Johnson, the daughters of Mrs. Catharine Johnson, a resident of Longlane avenue, left for Nicholasville, Ky., to be the guests of Mr. Joe Grant.

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Miss Maggie Knight gave a party at her residence on Washington street, Monday night. Salted cheese, crackers and pickles, chocolate candy, grapes and oranges, sherbet and cake were served. The guests were Misses Washington, Ida Taylor and sister, Maud Russell, Clark, and Messrs. A. Grant, W. Brown, W. Hunter, S. W. Woolridge, L. Coureus, J. T. Shelton and George Miller. Music by the Brown Orchestra.

## COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE.

State of Indiana, Marion County, ss:
In the Circuit Court of Marion County, in the State of Indiana.
No. 20473.
Jacob B. Reynolds vs. Anna Reynolds.
Complaint, divorce.

Be it known, that on the 29th day of August, 1911, the above named plaintiff, by his attorney, filed in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion County, in the State of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant, Anna Reynolds, and the said plaintiff having also filed in said clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant, Anna Reynolds, is not a resident of the State of Indiana; that said cause is for divorce; and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto, on the 26th day of December, 1911.

Now, therefore, by order of said court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her, and that unless she appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 26th day of December, 1911, the same being the 20th judicial day of a term of said court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the first Monday in December, 1911, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in her absence.

JOHN RAUCH, Clerk.

Isaac L. Wiseman, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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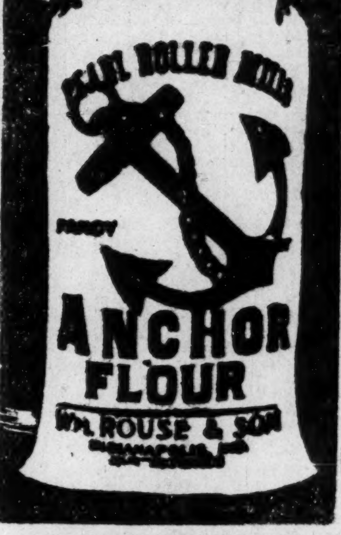

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